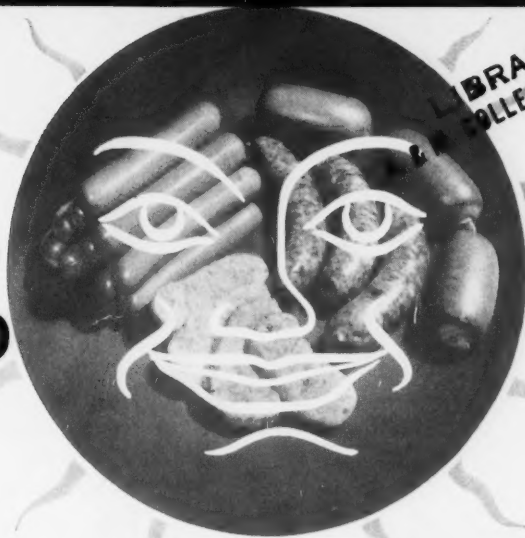


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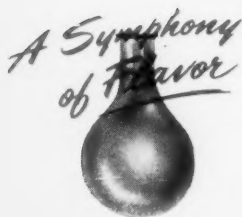
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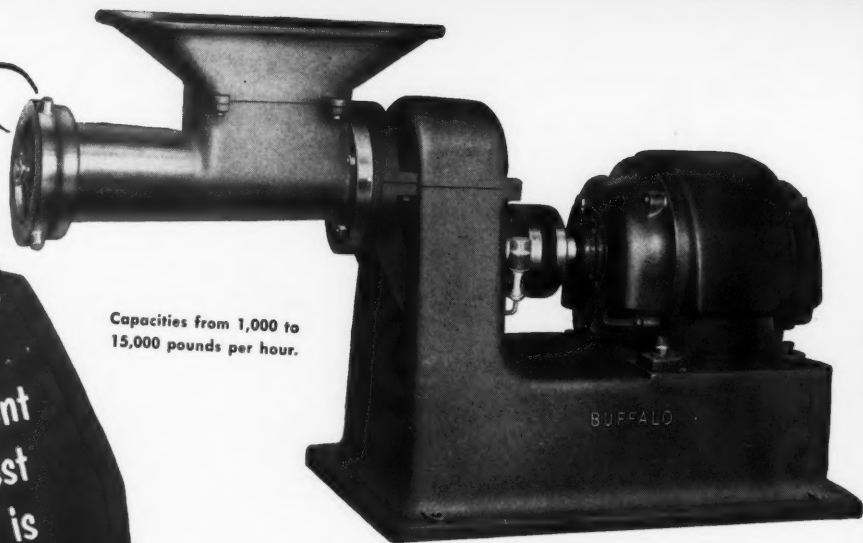
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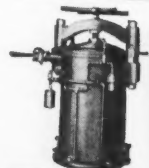
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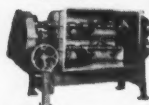
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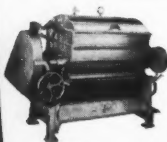


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### **Morse Raps High Corn Props, Hog Low**

The high, rigid price supports on corn, chief food for livestock, are causing farmers to store too much corn to sell to the government while they're not raising enough hogs, Under Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse charged in a talk before the Corn Belt Livestock Feeders Association in Chicago. His speech followed the USDA report (see page 34) that the number of hogs on farms fell 11 per cent during the last year and were at the lowest count since 1938. The report that cattle numbers on farms on January 1 totaled a record 94,677,000 head, 1 per cent higher than last year, came as a "surprise" in the light of the drought and last year's high slaughter rate, Morse said. The long-run future of beef, he added, is "definitely bright" since beef is the symbol of good living in America and the public is growing.

### **Industry to Discuss Beef Promotion Plans**

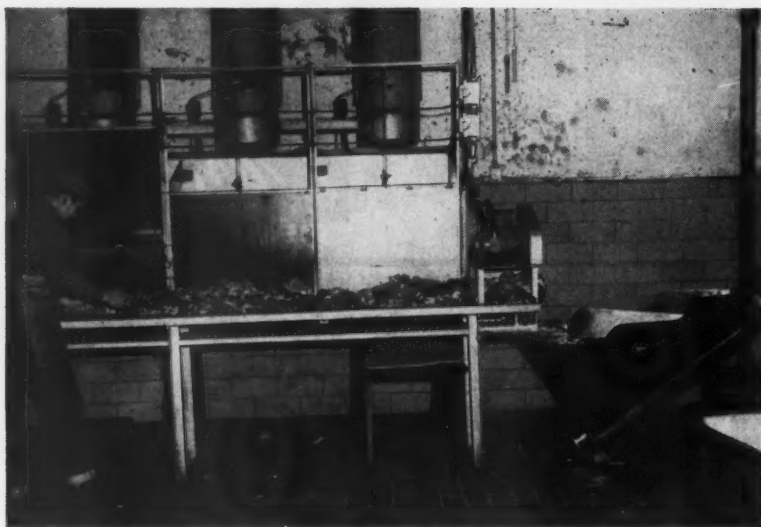
The beef cattle industry committee sponsored by the American National Cattlemen's Association has scheduled a meeting for 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 23, at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, to discuss beef promotion plans for 1954. The association at its recent convention in Colorado Springs voted to launch a national beef promotion program this year. A "National Beef Week" is among the proposals that have been suggested to help increase consumption. The American Meat Institute, National Independent Meat Packers Association, Western States Meat Packers Association, Inc., and the National Live Stock and Meat Board will be represented at the meeting.

### **President Sees March as Crucial Month**

President Eisenhower regards March, when employment normally picks up, as the key month in gauging the economic outlook. The President told his news conference this week that he will take it as a definite warning of economic trouble if employment doesn't increase next month and will propose new anti-recession measures to Congress. One of the first steps that might be considered, he said, is a cut in taxes to encourage consumer buying.

### **Cudahy Reports Profit for Quarter**

Cudahy Packing Co. operated at a profit in the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 1954, Louis F. Long, president, reported at the company's annual meeting in Portland, Me. The company does not issue interim earnings statements.



PORK TRIMMINGS fall from cut floor via chutes to bins, then move by conveyor. . . .

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## Shipping Pork Products in Bags



. . . into hopper where they are carried by inclined screw conveyor to bagging unit.

**I**N A NEW streamlined handling system, pork trimmings are taken from collecting bins and placed directly in multiwall Kraft polyethylene-laminated bags. The system, which is installed at the Cudahy Brothers Co., Cudahy, Wis., uses St. Regis Paper Corp. filling equipment and bags developed especially for bulk packaging and transporting of meat products.

As used at the plant the new system increases overall packaging efficiency by about 15 per cent and greatly reduces the unit expense for packaging

material. The Cudahy Brothers Co. sells its trimmings to outside meat processors and, consequently, the cost of the one-trip shipping container is a material item. For a comparable volume of meat, bag packaging has brought about a reduction in cost of 50 to 66 per cent, depending on the type of container employed previously. The cost of the bag, which holds approximately 75 lbs. of trimmings, is about 19c each in large quantities.

Trimmings arrive at the bagging site via chute from the trimming floor lo-

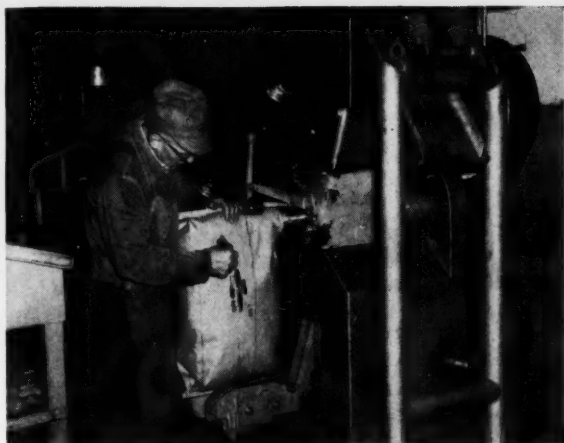
cated two levels above and drop into five bins which hold about 400 lbs. The chutes and bins are used for different types of trimmings, depending on production and sales requirements. The front of each bin is equipped with a counter-weighted sliding door and the back of the bin is pitched slightly forward toward the door opening to let meat slide out.

A stainless steel table top conveyor runs along in front of the bins at a right angle to the door openings. When a workman lifts the gate on a bin the trimmings flow out onto the 12-in. conveyor and are carried to a stainless hopper at the feed end of an elevating screw conveyor. The 35x50x30 in. hopper extends slightly under and beyond the sides of the discharge end of the horizontal conveyor and is designed to guide the trimmings to the feed end of the 8 1/4-in. full pitch screw.

The screw itself is pivoted at the top for easy cleanup and the screw conveyor, hopper and parts of the bag filler which come in contact with the meat are made of stainless steel. The screw conveyor is powered by a 3-h.p. motor mounted at the top of the conveyor frame.

The screw conveyor feeds into the hopper of the bag filler's screw feeding mechanism; the latter is similar to the cylinder and screw of a grinder and feeds meat into the bag by thrusting it forward. The screw of the feeding tube is self cleaning, is powered by its own 3-h.p. motor and has flutes for guiding the meat.

In actual bagging, an employee takes one of the bags, which are factory-



WORKER marks exact weight of pork contents on bag. . .



. . . Stacks bags on skids for movement to cooler or dock.

sealed at the top and bottom and made with a tuck-in sleeve opening, and positions it on the tube of the feeding unit. The bottom and top of the filling unit have clamps which take hold of the bag at the sealed seams as the employee brings down the clamp actuating lever.

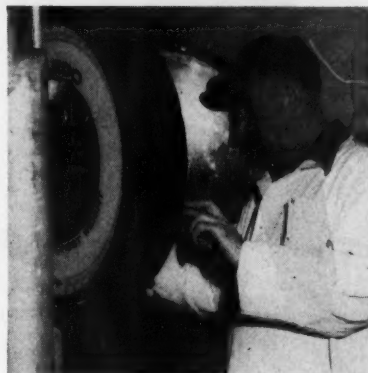
The entire bagging unit is mounted on a Toledo scale with weight readings adjusted to zero. The scale has two faces; the front gives the actual weight of the material bagged and the back face is set for the predetermined amount of meat which the bag will hold. This amount varies for different types of meat bagged; however, this setting is quickly adjusted in a matter of seconds. The present dial reads from the set weight downward to zero while the actual weight setting reads upward. The actual weight dial faces the operator.

When the preset weight pointer reaches zero it actuates a mercoid switch which stops both the horizontal conveyor feeding the hopper and the screw conveyor. The feeding tube screw keeps on running and propels meat in the feeding hopper into the bag.

The employee, who knows immediately

when the last of the meat is out of the feeding tube, glances at the actual weight and enters this with a wick type pencil on the bag before freeing it from the clamping device. While the filled bag is still resting on the bottom holding frame, the self-sealing sleeve is tucked in. Once tucked in, the pressure of the contents keeps the bag closed. The filled and closed bag is loaded on a skid and moved into a cooler for chilling.

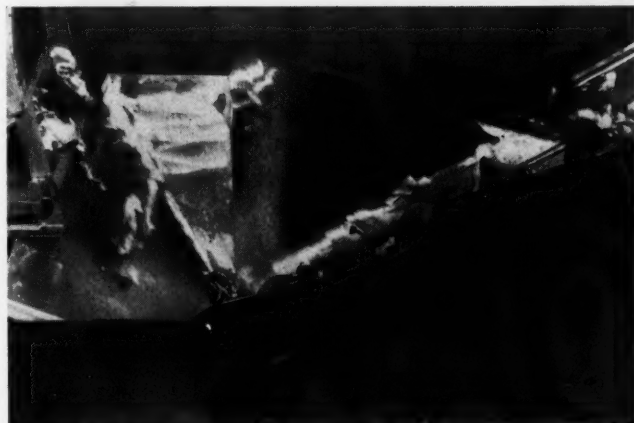
John Dovi, fresh pork pack foreman, says that the two operators handle upward of 5,000 to 8,000 lbs. of meat per hour depending on the product. The packer is bagging all varieties of pork trimmings, including boned out hams and whole pig skins which are accumulated in the cutting floor fleshing operation. The pig skins presented a minor difficulty in the first stages of bagging operations. As they passed through the tube and screw of the feeding machine they would, at times, cause the machine to trip out from overload. The feeding machine does not in any way mash or sear the meat. With the original clearance pig skins frequently became lodged



JOHN DOVI, fresh pork pack foreman, pre-sets weight on scale to get maximum bag fill.

in the tube and caused an overload. The diameter of the tube is 3 3/4 and 12 in. the last 6 1/2 in. of which forms the valve feeding into the bag. To overcome this difficulty the clearance between the screw and flues of the tube was increased to 3/16 in. Now the pig skins

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CLOSEUP of stainless steel hopper shows meats falling from conveyor.



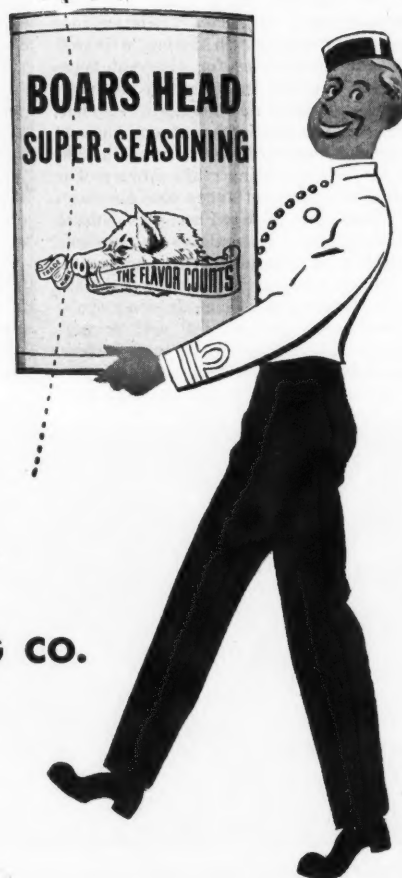
WORKERS feed whole boned out hams to bagging unit.



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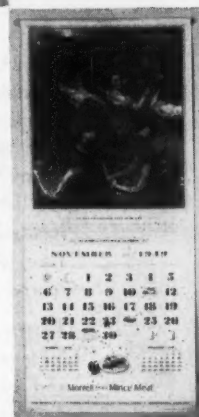


First Morrell Theme Calendar was issued in 1927.

## Salesman of the Year



Calendar theme must be broad enough to have popular appeal. Shakespeare scenes (above), now most requested, almost missed boat back in 1938.



Dealers enjoyed big demand for Walt Disney characters (above), found "gold," too, in 49'er centennial calendar shown at right.



Imaginations and appetites were stirred by 1953 paintings. Careful selection of artists helps Morrell maintain lead.

**M**OST people are just reaching the point where they say and write "1954" without thinking twice, but at John Morrell & Co., Ottumwa, Iowa, the year 1955 is well on its way and thoughts already are on 1956.

"You have to be way ahead of the times to help keep the nation up to date," agree Floyd J. Torrence, Morrell advertising manager, and Hollis Peck, public relations manager, in speaking of the firm's calendars that have become an institution for Morrell dealers and their customers and a major promotional tool for Morrell.

By the end of this month, dealers will have turned in their orders to Morrell salesmen for anywhere from 100 to 10,000 calendars for 1955 to give to their customers during the Christmas season. For the calendars, with his name, address and phone number imprinted at the top, the dealer will pay 20c each.

The total printed and the cost to Morrell are a closely-guarded secret. Torrence and Peck will say, however, that the calendars can be found in all 48 states and several foreign countries, such as Canada, Great Britain and Cuba. Requests have been received from as far away as Australia.

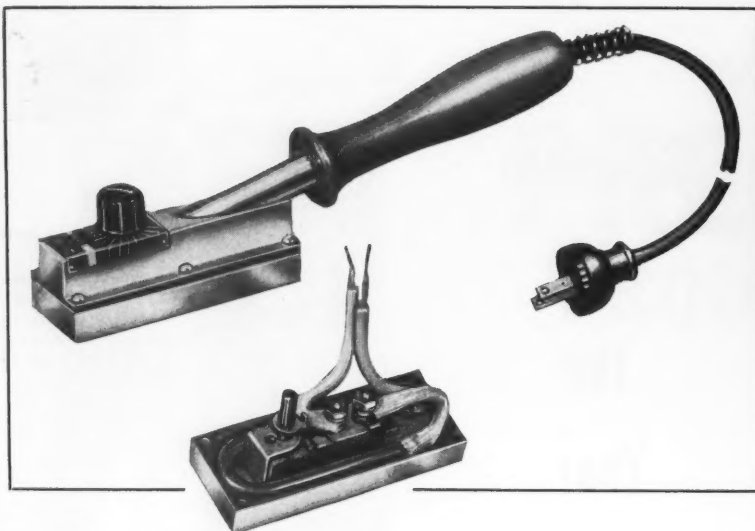
Company officials think of the calendar as a dealer calendar; the dealer buys it and has something to give away, building up his standing with customers. However, the value of having a Morrell message in the home 365 days of the year is readily apparent, and 60 per cent of the calendars find their way into the all-important kitchen.

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Morrell has maintained its leadership despite growing competition by careful selection of theme (it must be informative and broad enough to be of popular appeal) and by commissioning outstanding artists to do the illustrations.

Artist for the 1955 calendar, which has birds as its theme, is Roger Tory Peterson, whose bird prints rival those of Audubon's. Peterson, in addition to being an artist, is author of innumerable tracts and pamphlets on birds as well as the only book, "A Field Guide



"NEXT" YEAR IS 1956 for calendar planners Floyd J. Torence (left) and Kenneth Becker, shown giving final approval to 1955 copy and scenes.

to the Birds," which is standard equipment for all university ornithological departments.

Ariane Beigneuz, who painted the scenes for the 1954 calendar, "Childhood Days," although still in her twenties, has won many awards and a national reputation for her paintings of children. Morrell calendars also have been illustrated by Walt Disney, Norman Rockwell and the late N. C. Wyeth, one of America's finest book illustrators. The Morrell 1953 calendar was painted by Ted Kautzky, probably American's most popular watercolorist. Harold von Schmidt, who illustrates many stories of the *Saturday Evening Post* and is a leading interpreter of Western American life, and the late John Atherton, one of the finest commercial illustrators and magazine cover artists, are among others who have done original work for Morrell.

In addition to outstanding artists, such famous writers as John Kiernan and the composer and critic, Deems Taylor, also have been commissioned to write descriptive passages for the various calendars.

There is no record of the person who started all this back in 1909. The company had some extra advertising cards to which someone attached calendar pads, and the salesmen gave them to butchers. The dealers were so glad to get free calendars that Morrell made it a practice to give them out, first for

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counter and later for store wall use.

In 1913 Morrell gave the calendar printing job to the Ketterlinus Lithographic Manufacturing Co., Philadelphia, and the work is correlated today from the Ketterlinus Chicago office by Kenneth Becker, vice president, whose father took the first Morrell order. Food still lifes were the subject matter for many years; the first "theme" calendar was produced for the firm's centennial in 1927 with scenes from the company's history.

For many years calendars constituted almost the whole of Morrell's advertising. Originally they were mainly a gimmick to get into stores; Morrell needed to add dealers and the calendars seemed to serve that purpose. The company became national in distribution only four or five years ago.

Only a large sized calendar for dealers' walls was produced until Morrell introduced a smaller household size for the year 1931, and dealers began proudly handing them out.

### They Sell Seasonal Messages

The fact that more than 125,000,000 calendars now are printed in the United States every year just proves how important they are, Morrell officials feel. They point out that Morrell has artwork as good as any; design has been developed into the best over the years, and the company has an almost perfect system of distributing the calendars. In addition, they say, calendars are an ideal means of getting a seasonal message about meats into the home. For example, ham is played up around Easter and processed meats are pictured during summer months. Morrell calendars use fish to indicate abstinence days.

The bottom of the 1955 calendar, for the first time, will carry product platter displays along with household hints and recipes compiled for Morrell by a noted home economist.

Ideas for the calendars come from Ketterlinus, from the Morrell advertising department, from dealers and from the many suggestions mailed in by interested individuals. Selection of the theme begins some two years before a calendar appears. And largely because of this careful choice of theme, many calendars remain in homes and schools long after December goes by. Most frequently requested back number now is the 1938 calendar illustrated with scenes and quotations from Shakespeare's plays. This is despite the fact that the Shakespeare calendars were not overly popular back in 1938.

### Mexican Group Wants U.S. Cattle Ban Lifted

The Mexican National Cattlemen's confederation has asked the Mexican government to press the United States government to lift the import ban on Mexican cattle.

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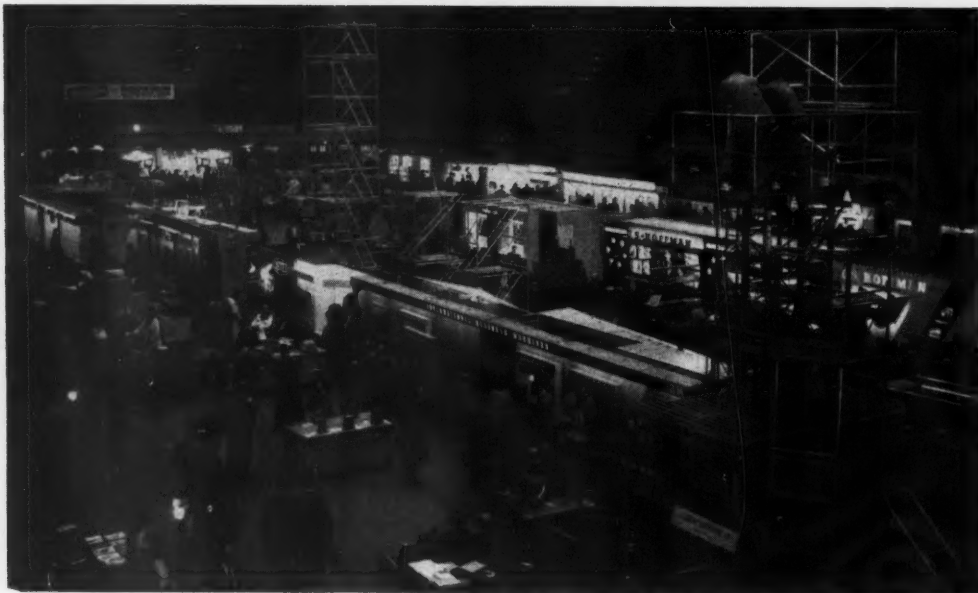
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Such accomplishments were reported by one of the main speakers at the recent 5th National Plant Maintenance and Engineering Conference, Chicago.

The NP reporter who covered the conference experienced one difficulty in common with meat packing personnel at the meeting, namely, the inability to attend more than one of the many sessions being held simultaneously. Complete coverage will have to await the official report published by Clapp and Poliak, Inc., New York City. Highlights from some of the meetings follow.

One of the best attended sessions dealt with the problem of how maintenance should be conducted—by a systematized and scheduled preventive program, or by the catch as catch can breakdown technique? The speaker was O. W. Graveley, works engineer, Electro Metallurgical Co., Division of Union Carbide & Carbon Co.

Graveley made it clear that preventive maintenance is a procedure equally as applicable to the small plant with eight maintenance men as to the large plant with several hundred. The amount and the degree of paper work required will, of necessity, vary, but in no instance is it formidable. In Graveley's plant one man does all the paper work for a crew of 400 maintenance people. This man also is responsible, in part, for scheduling work in cooperation with specific craft foreman.

The heart of the preventive maintenance program consists of a periodic scheduled inspection of each piece of a company's equipment and of the entire physical plant. The need and frequency of inspecting equipment can be determined by prior experience. Then, as equipment comes under scheduled maintenance, revision can be made in frequency requirements. Graveley pointed out that generally only 5 per cent of total maintenance time is devoted to the all-critical task of inspection in most plants.

Inspection permits a controlled shut down of any particular piece of equipment with the economies inherent in such a procedure. Departments need not be idled as a frantic search takes place to find the right man to fix a

particular machine. Planned procedure results in a minimum of production disruption.

Graveley said that in his plant breakdowns formerly accounted for 75 per cent of maintenance time. Now, breakdowns represent only 5 per cent of maintenance effort. The preventive system has reduced overall maintenance cost—not including production cost—by 20 per cent. Overtime for maintenance has been reduced to an extremely low total. Spare parts inventories were first reduced by 20 per cent and then by an additional 20 per cent.

When Graveley started his maintenance program, only 20 per cent of skilled personnel in any craft classification could perform general all around work within their field. By taking the pressure off breakdown maintenance, Graveley was able in three years to report that 60 per cent of skilled workers are now all around mechanics in their field rather than limited specialists.

The more detailed work done by the mechanical crew on the preventive schedule has resulted in some major savings represented by employees for equipment re-design. In one instance, a milling machine cost \$12,000 a year



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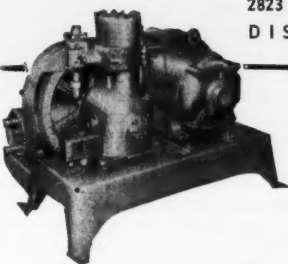
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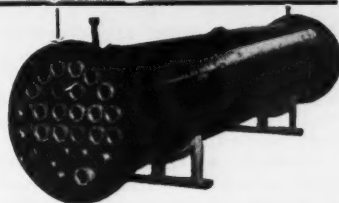
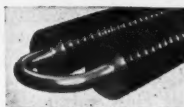
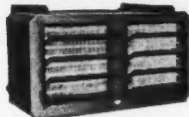
He also realized that his new Howe kept running longer, with less trouble. "They're designed for that from the start, backed by 42 years' specialization," said the "private eye," departing for his next case.

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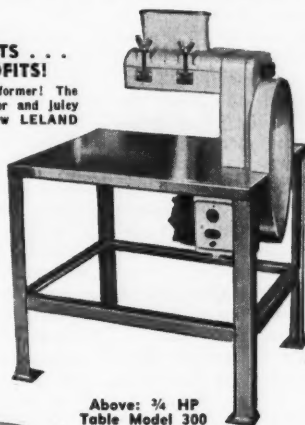
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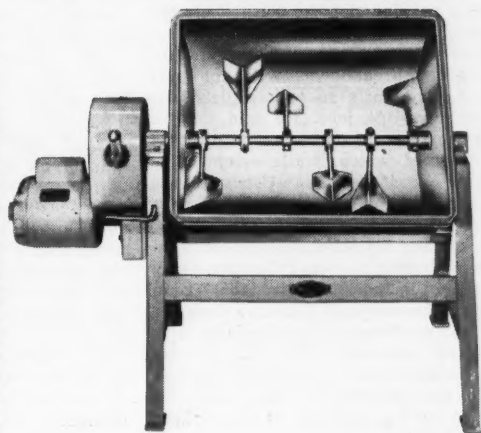


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to maintain. After the manufacturer adopted suggestions by Graveleys' maintenance men, the cost dropped to only \$500 annually.

Graveley's program operates on an estimated maintenance budget cost for each department in the plant. Each job is budgeted in terms of man hours. The speaker said that experienced foremen can and do estimate the actual time required for various jobs within a plus or minus 6 per cent. Some jobs requiring a total of 6,000 man hours have been estimated to the hour.

In setting up his schedule, Graveley plans actual work just three weeks ahead. Beyond this period planning is done in broader outlines. Trying to pinpoint work further in advance means too much subsequent revision, although within specific plants it might be advisable to plan definite jobs at longer range.

Graveley was asked how he met emergency breakdowns with his personnel apparently so widely distributed over routine jobs. He said that in each work week, maintenance projects are planned which, while essential in nature, are not critical. Consequently, men can be pulled from these tasks for emergency jobs.

In making his estimates for the total crew and time required for the year, Graveley includes within this time construction work of a nature that his men can perform. This calculated and budgeted estimate of construction work is then used as a backlog against which the maintenance crew can be worked during periods of low plant productivity.

Just a few weeks ago the speaker's plant experienced a reduction of work force by some 40 per cent. Yet, because of the cushioning elements in planned maintenance, his crew suffered a reduction of only 10 per cent during that time.

Graveley reiterated the fact that neither size of an operation nor the nature of an operation need preclude a preventive maintenance schedule. In support of this, a river meat packer, through the simple technique

of consolidating all maintenance functions under one roof, recently reduced costs by 20 per cent. Several medium sized independent meat houses perform the bulk of their construction work with maintenance crews.

It takes planning, but it can be done, Graveley asserted, relating that it took him two years to implement preventive maintenance on a plant-wide schedule.

A department may take up to six months to convert to a preventive schedule. Generally there is a backlog of work represented by equipment that is close to the breakdown point. This must be put in order before the preventive plan can operate efficiently.

**A**T a meeting devoted to sanitation, Glen L. Doty, a superintendent, sanitation department, United States Rubber Co., Detroit, told of some economies achieved with mechanization of cleanup operations. Formerly 173 employees were required to clean the plant. Now 99 men do the job with the aid of various power cleaning tools. The plant has a problem of removing a gummy rubber substance that clings tenaciously to the floor. It took 18 men to clean up nightly by hand. Now one man, with a 24-hp. machine, grinds all the material from the floor.

A basic idea voiced at this session was the need for separating sanitation in a plant from other functions. J. Lloyd Barron, sanitary engineer, National Biscuit Co., New York City, said a sanitarian who is subordinate to production or mechanical maintenance never will perform the proper job.

Sanitation is an ingredient in any food product and, consequently, it should be performed in a manner economical both of time and material.

It is the function of the sanitary department to keep tools, equipment and building clean and comfortable to help get maximum production at minimum cost. Barron said that in a plant recently opened by his own firm departmental cleanup is the function of the sanitation department. This plant enjoys the lowest cost for cleanup. To

allow production employees to clean up is both costly and wasteful, he asserted. Only when the production department is charged by another department for sanitation performance will it devote the needed attention to sanitation.

Barron discussed the advisability of including sanitation planning in new plant construction or in remodeling old installations. He listed some planning errors which may disrupt or hinder operations when sanitation is not considered in initial layout: Corrodible metals are used in zones where stainless should be used; surfaces and parts are made inaccessible for cleanup; lubricated bearings and drives are placed in or over product zones; non-moisture proof electrical switches and motors, etc., are placed in positions that make cleanup extremely difficult and dangerous.

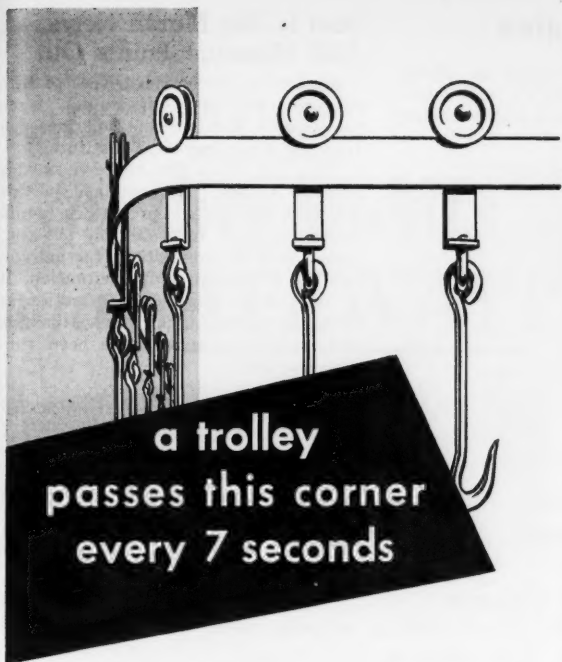
If sanitation is to be performed at an economical and yet maximum level, large food plants must have a sanitarian with staff authority, subject only to the general manager, Barron declared.

In the discussion that followed, much time was devoted to the need of lifting the morale of employees performing sanitation functions. Some proposed a change in name, such as building service men, and others proposed the further mechanization of cleanup functions with the consequent possibilities of upgrading worker classifications and incentives.

V. J. Del Giudice, section head, technical service section Armour and Company, Chicago, said his firm has tied incentive standards in with approval of the MID. If the cleanup passes the MID inspection, the workers receive one rate of pay and another if the job has to be redone by the production crew because of MID tagging.

He also told the group his firm had considerable success with mold control through the use of cunilate paints.

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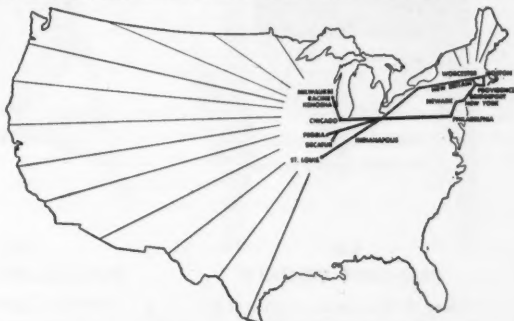
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## Mickelberry Reports Record '53 Sales

Mickelberry's Food Products Co., Chicago, reported the highest sales in its history for the 53-year fiscal year ended January 2, 1954. Sales of the company and subsidiaries amounted to \$21,936,150, compared with \$20,351,421 in 1952.

Net income, after taxes, totaled \$473,137, or \$1.67 a share, as compared to \$425,338, or \$1.50 a share, last year.

"Our markets are continually being broadened and our products improved. If there is no room for quality improvement, we improve its dress," G. E. Duwe, president, reported to stockholders.

The board of directors was reduced from nine to seven members during the year and is presently at that figure, Duwe said. Donald B. Lourie resigned in January, 1953, to become an Under-secretary of State, and Douglas Stuart resigned in August, 1953, when he became ambassador to Canada.

The company has a branch in Detroit and the following wholly-owned subsidiaries: Mickelberry Sausage Co., Bushnell, Ill.; Bartlow Packing Co., Rushville, Ill.; Mama Cookie Bakeries, Inc., Cicero, Ill.; Laclede Packing Co., St. Louis; O. J. Stelling, Inc., Kansas City, Kan.; Mama Cookie Bakeries, Inc., Detroit, and H. F. Busch Co., Cincinnati.

The statements of consolidated in-

come and earned surplus of Mickelberry's Food Products Co. and subsidiaries for the 53 weeks ended January 2, 1954, follow:

Gross sales, less discounts, returns and allowances	\$21,936,150
Cost of goods sold	18,910,368
	3,025,782
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,157,895
	867,887
Other income	79,873
	947,760
Income deductions	7,497
	940,263
Provision for federal taxes on income:	
Normal tax and surtax	448,426
Excess profits tax	18,700
	467,126
Net income	473,137
Earned surplus at beginning of period	2,474,750
	2,947,887
Dividends cash—\$1.00 per share	279,456
	\$ 2,668,431
Earned surplus at end of period	
Depreciation was provided in the amounts of \$170,369 in 1953.	

## N. Z. Top Meat Exporter

New Zealand in 1952 was the world's largest exporter of meat, supplying 26 per cent of all meat moving into international trade channels. Denmark was next with 18 per cent and Argentina third with 15 per cent. Before the last war Argentina was the leading exporter of meat, providing about 35 per cent of all meat exports.

## Beef is 'Big March News,' AMI Message Points Out

Readers of the March 1 issue of *Life* magazine will have opportunity to see the latest "Meat Situation" message from the American Meat Institute.

"The big news for housewives this month is beef," as explained in this message, following the pattern established this year in presenting the consumer with an interesting, factual column on the meat supply situation. It includes such economic information as "Pork prices are higher this winter than last, because supplies have been running smaller."

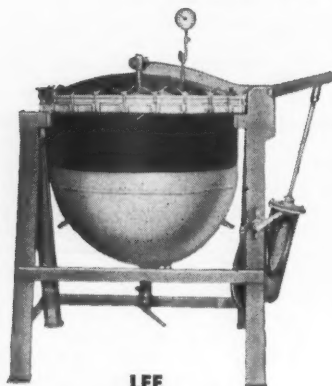
Another interesting service of the meat packing industry—the "partnership" between the family doctor and the meat packer—will be told to the readers of 12 of America's "thought-leader" magazines in late February, March and early April in the latest message in this series.

Explaining this little known service of meat packers should help boost the percentage of people well informed on the importance of the meat packer, the AMI points out. (The latest Roper survey indicated that nearly 50 per cent of those interviewed thought that if there were no meat packers, the quality and supply of meat would be the same or better.)

Reprints of these advertisements are available from the AMI.

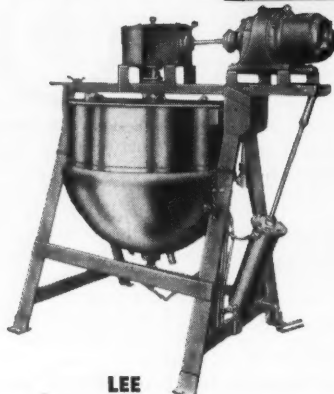
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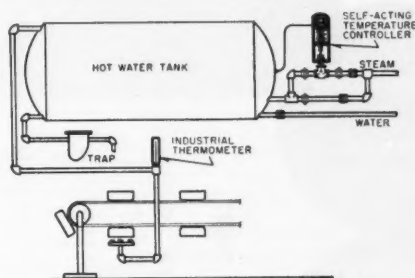
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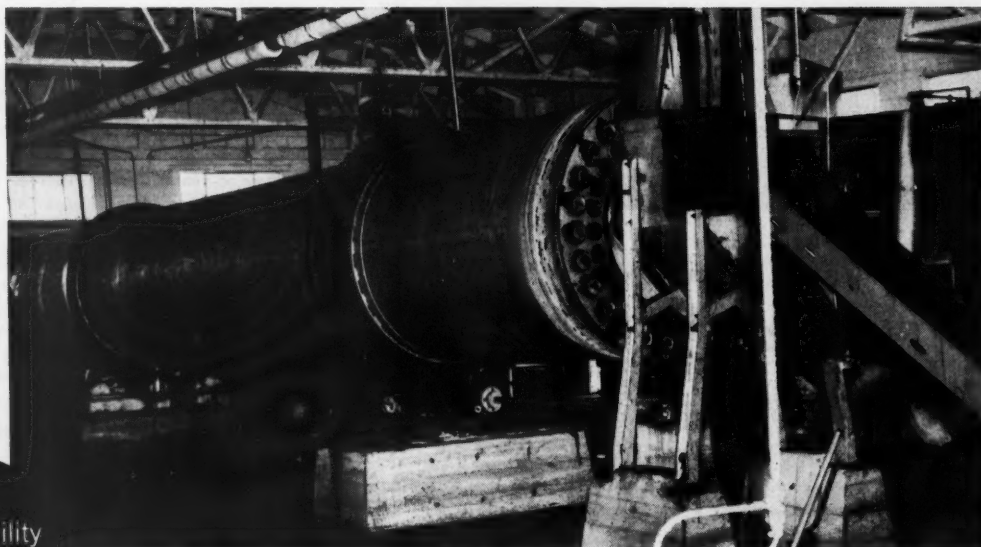
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### Three New Members Elected To Oscar Mayer & Co. Board

Three new members were elected to serve on the board of directors of Oscar Mayer & Co. at the recent annual meeting of stockholders in Chicago, Oscar G. Mayer, president, announced.



HAROLD MAYER

The newly-elected board members are: **Harold M. Mayer**, vice president and manager of the company's Chicago plant; **William T. Murray**, vice president in charge of procurement and sales, and **P. Goff Beach, jr.**, vice president in charge of operations. Murray and Beach have offices at the company's Madison (Wis.) plant.

Harold M. Mayer, second son of Oscar G. Mayer, was elected to fill the vacancy on the board of directors



W. T. MURRAY



P. G. BEACH

created by the recent resignation from the company of **W. W. McCallum**. Murray and Beach will assume two new places created recently by action of the board of directors to increase its membership from seven to nine persons, Oscar G. Mayer said.

The other members of the board, re-elected at the stockholders' meeting, are: **Oscar F. Mayer**, chairman, and **Oscar G. Mayer**, **Adolph C. Bolz**, **Oscar G. Mayer, jr.**, **Gottfried O. Mayer** and **Carl G. Mayer**.

### Crow Branch Going Up

The first branch of the Crow Packing Co. of Pecos, Tex., is being constructed in San Angelo, Tex. **J. V. Crow** will be in charge of the branch.

### George Damsel to Retire From Armour Post March 13

**George H. Damsel**, general manager of the Armour and Company plant in St. Joseph, Mo., has announced that he will retire March 13 after 45 years with the firm. Damsel went to work as an office boy in the Armour St. Joseph plant in 1909 and 21 years later was named general manager of the plant.



G. H. DAMSEL

From his first job Damsel moved on to other posts in practically all departments of the plant. In 1914 he was transferred to Kansas City to be manager of the firm's employment office there. In 1917 he enlisted in Company F of the 110th engineer battalion of the 35th division and served in Europe during World War I.

Upon his return to the United States, Damsel was sent to Fort Worth, Tex. In 1920 he was promoted to the staff of the general superintendent at company headquarters in Chicago. Damsel was made assistant general manager of the firm's Kansas City plant in 1929 and was promoted to general manager of the St. Joseph plant in 1930. He returned to Armour headquarters in 1931 and in 1935 went back to St. Joseph as general manager, the post he has held since that time.

Damsel has been commended for his ability to recognize executive traits in young men and his success in guiding and training them for greater responsibilities. Under his guidance, more than 100 young men have been advanced from the St. Joseph plant to more responsible positions at other plants.

### New Excelsior Plant Opens

Opening of a large new plant at 11-02 Bridge Plaza South, Long Island City, N. Y., by **Excelsior Fresh Frosted Meat Products Co.** has been announced by **Morris C. Stroh**, president of the firm. The new plant occupies one square city block and will employ more than 350 persons on the production line, Stroh said. It has modern processing and packaging facilities.

### A. J. Brown Named Manager Of Mission Provision Co.

**Al J. Brown** has been named general manager of the Mission Provision Co., San Antonio, Tex., by **Mrs. J. E. O'Neill**, president.



A. J. BROWN

Brown, whose background includes more than 34 years in the meat packing business, was associated with Armour and Company, Chicago, as district manager in various locations for 24 years.

He also worked with Hygrade Food Products Corp., Detroit, as general manager for ten years.

His present position with Mission Provision Co. gives him complete charge of the operation of the company, including sales, purchasing and other management and operating responsibilities handled by the late **J. E. O'Neill**, president and general manager, until his death last August.

During World War II, Brown spent five years as consultant with the War Department, in charge of all purchasing of perishable products for the armed forces. He received an award of merit from the War Department for his services in this capacity. Brown's duties with the Mission Provision Co. began as of February 1.

### PERSONALITIES

### and Events

### OF THE WEEK

► Appointment of **Lloyd E. Bower** as purchasing agent of the Sugardale Provision Co., Canton, Ohio, has been announced by **Leo Lavin**, president. Bower joined Sugardale as a bookkeeper 21 years ago and served as auditor for the past 15 years.

► Two new killing floors are to be put into operation at the **K & B Packing & Provision Co.**, Denver, March 1, increasing the firm's hourly kill from 30 cattle and 75 hogs to 50 cattle and 150 hogs, **Sam Sigman**, secretary-treasurer, announced. Cost of the two-story building containing the new floors and other innovations is about \$200,000, Sigman said. In addition to the new killing floors, a new hog cut-

ting room, two new hog coolers and a beef cooler are included in the 40,000 sq. ft. of improvements.

►**Ernest R. Syers**, superintendent of Swift & Company's packinghouse market in Spokane, Wash., retired recently after 35 years with the firm. He was sales manager of the Swift branch in Great Falls, Mont., for several years.

►**Dr. Louis Sair** of The Griffith Laboratories, Inc., Chicago, addressed the Toronto meeting of the Canadian Food Technologists Association recently.

►**William D. Nance**, 59, manager of the Tampa (Fla.) branch of Swift & Company, was injured fatally recently in an automobile collision in Tampa.

►**Paul Cornelius**, who until recently owned the Cornelius Packing Co. of Los Angeles and who has been engaged since in livestock operations in the western states, soon will open the Southwest Livestock Market at Phoenix, Ariz. Cattle auction facilities are being completed and holding pens for more than 5,000 cattle now are ready. The first sale at the new yard is expected to be held about March 12-15. The new yard is being developed by Cornelius to provide better facilities for concentrating cattle to go to feed lots and packers from the growing Arizona cattle producing areas. With sons, **Bob** and **Melvin**, Paul Cornelius has been operating and will continue as Cornelius Livestock, with offices at Phoenix and Los Angeles.

►**Joseph Y. Henderson**, 66, international vice president of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butcher Workmen of North America, AFL, died recently in Seattle after a long illness. Henderson had served on the union's staff since 1932 and since 1945 had been vice president, with supervision over union activities in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, British Columbia and Alaska.

►**Don C. Burkholder**, assistant comptroller of Swift & Company, Chicago, has been elected to membership in the Controllers Institute of America, a non-profit organization of controllers and finance officers from all lines of business.

►The **F. B. Purnell Sausage Co.** now is occupying the former Schwab Provision Co. plant at Louisville, Ky., but business growth already is requiring the concern to plan construction of a complete new plant with larger capacity. Present plans indicate that the plant will be built at Simpsonville, Ky., with building cost estimated at upwards of \$50,000. **F. B. Purnell** is owner of the company.

►**Empacadora de Ciudad Juarez**, S. A., packers and processors at Juarez, Chih., Mexico, is continuing to expand its operations. The company soon will offer canned corned beef in addition to its regular line of "Rodeo Brand" processed products. **Raul Garcia**, president, and **Fernando Villalobos**, general manager of the

concern, also are developing an unusual program of employee benefits. They recently added a dining room and recreational facilities for plant employees and soon will add a swimming pool to plant facilities.

►**William H. McGinn** of Pawtucket, R. I., who was associated with Swift & Company for 39 years, died recently after a long illness. He was branch manager in Waterbury, Conn., from 1931 until 1940 when he was transferred to Pawtucket as branch manager. McGinn retired in 1952 because of ill health.

►Three men who served a total of 92 years with Lima Packing Co., Lima, Ohio, have taken over Cantieny-Strawn Co. of Lima. **R. H. (Bud) Laeuffer** is the new Cantieny-Strawn president; **Harold (Fuzz) Cummins** is vice president, and **Gerald Rone** is secretary and treasurer. While with Lima Packing, Laeuffer was plant superintendent; Rone was in the office, and Cummins was sausage superintendent.

►**Raymond A. McCarthy**, for many years president of the Alpha Beta Packing Co., Huntington Beach, Cal., and the Alpha Beta Food Markets, Inc., Orange, Cal., died recently. He resigned his posts in June, 1952, because of ill health. McCarthy was the first treasurer of the National Independent Meat Packers Association.

►**Frederick Charles Chace**, 75, retired president of the Chace Export Co. of New York City, died recently. Before forming his own export company,

Chace was a Swift & Company vice president in charge of the export division in Boston.

►**Stephen H. Brennan**, owner of the S. H. Brennan Wholesale Meat Co., Lawrence, Mass., died recently at the age of 67. He managed the Cudahy Packing Co. branch in Lawrence from 1912 until 1920 when he founded his own firm.

►**Richard C. Riggs** of Owings Mills, Md., has been elected to his eighth term as president of the Eastern National Livestock Show, Baltimore. **William F. Schluderberg**, president of Wm. Schluderberg-T. J. Kurdle Co., was elected vice president.

►**Herman R. Seidel**, 63, head of Swift & Company's Chicago plant accounting department, died recently after 43 years with the firm.

## Funk Joins Rayner Packing As Vice President, Manager

**A. L. Funk**, former president of the Houston Independent Meat Packers Association, has been named vice president and general manager of the Rayner Packing Co., Houston, G. M. Rayner, president of the firm, announced. Funk also has become part owner of the company.

Active in the meat packing industry in Houston for the past 20 years, Funk formerly managed the Blue Ribbon Packing Co. He also served as Houston manager for Neuhoff Brothers Packers, Inc., of Dallas.



SOME 55 REPRESENTATIVES of various meat packing firms in the Chicago area attended the Chicago Chapter American Red Cross campaign kick-off luncheon provided by Wilson & Co., Inc., at the Stock Yards Inn. Don Smith, advertising consultant, Wilson & Co., who is chairman of the meat packing and allied industries division, told of the \$85,000,000 Red Cross goal for the March drive, of which sum the Chicago Chapter will contribute some \$3,000,000. Photo shows luncheon speakers (l. to r.): George F. Salerno, co-chairman of food and related products campaign section and president, Salerno-Megowen Biscuit Co., Chicago; Edward Foss Wilson, chairman of the board, Wilson & Co., Inc.; Don Smith; George M. Crowson, campaign business division chairman, and assistant to the president, Illinois Central Railroad, and Charles F. Murphy, campaign chairman and partner, Naess & Murphy, Chicago architects.



## Chicago Chains Ask Night Self-Service Meat Sales

Asserting that Chicago is the only major city in the United States where people can't buy meat at night, executives of food store chains have announced that they will make an effort in coming months to get local unions of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, AFL, to agree to the sale of self-service meat on Friday nights when the stores are open.

A ban on Friday night sales of self-service meat is included in present contracts, which run through September. Service type stores are permitted to sell bologna, packaged frankfurters and similar items at night.

The ban has come into conflict with an increasing desire on the part of family shoppers to buy all their food needs at one time, according to the store executives. They include Harley V. McNamara, president of the National Tea Co.; Harold P. Templeton, branch manager for the Kroger Co., and E. E. Hargrave, administrative vice president of the Jewel Tea Co.

## Weeks Tells U. S. Stand On Exports to Russia

Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks has announced that it had been decided as a matter of policy to deny commercial export license applications for the export for cash of United States government-owned surplus agricultural or vegetable fiber products to Russia or her satellites.

He pointed out, however, that this ban does not preclude study of export license applications for these non-strategic products to the Soviet bloc if acquired by exporters in the open market and not from the Commodity Credit Corporation surplus stocks.

## Morse Heads CCC

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson has appointed Under Secretary True D. Morse as president of Commodity Credit Corp. in addition to his other duties. Morse replaces H. H. Gordon.

## Davison Backs Props Cut, More Stock Feeding

"Giving animal agriculture an adequate opportunity to flourish will go far toward 'eating up' America's grave farm surplus problem on a long-range basis," Homer R. Davison, vice president of the American Meat Institute, asserted Tuesday before the Pacific Northwest Farm Forum in Spokane, Wash.

"With the export market all but evaporated," he said, "we're faced with the task of redesigning our agricultural plant to fit the size of our market. Some say that our plant is too big now—that it should be made smaller. But wouldn't it be better to even expand the plant further—producing more meat and protein foods that could be sold rather than accumulating grain in storage where it isn't wanted. Of course this would have to be done on the long pull so that producing livestock wouldn't become unprofitable for the farmer.

"By directing our extra grain toward the livestock market, many acres now devoted to the raising of cotton, tobacco and wheat because of the high support inducement would be turned back for grassland use. Thus, the production crops with the greatest surpluses now could be reduced. Isn't it ridiculous for us to watch corn being sealed away in government storage bins at \$1.56 a bushel when it could well be fed to livestock?

"In that it takes nine pounds grain to produce a pound of beef and four pounds of grain for a pound of pork, expanding livestock production would go a long way toward correcting our farm prob-

lem. Also, gradually increasing meat consumption would prove beneficial in improving the general nutrition of the nation.

"The administration should be applauded for the sound agricultural program it has proposed. There is no doubt that our present legislation and its high, rigid price supports based on an outdated parity need improving.

"It would seem that since 85 per cent of all feed grains go into livestock that increasing the price of corn is somewhat like robbing Peter to pay Paul."

## Meat Type Hogs Topic at Producers Assn. Meeting

The annual meeting of the Chicago Producers Commission Association will be held at the Saddle and Sirloin club at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 4.

Wilbur L. Plager, field secretary of Iowa Swine Producers association, will give an illustrated talk on "Meat Type Hogs," and a panel of five will discuss the subject. Fred C. Francis will be moderator.

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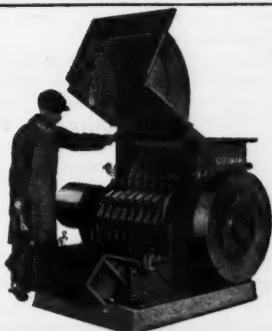


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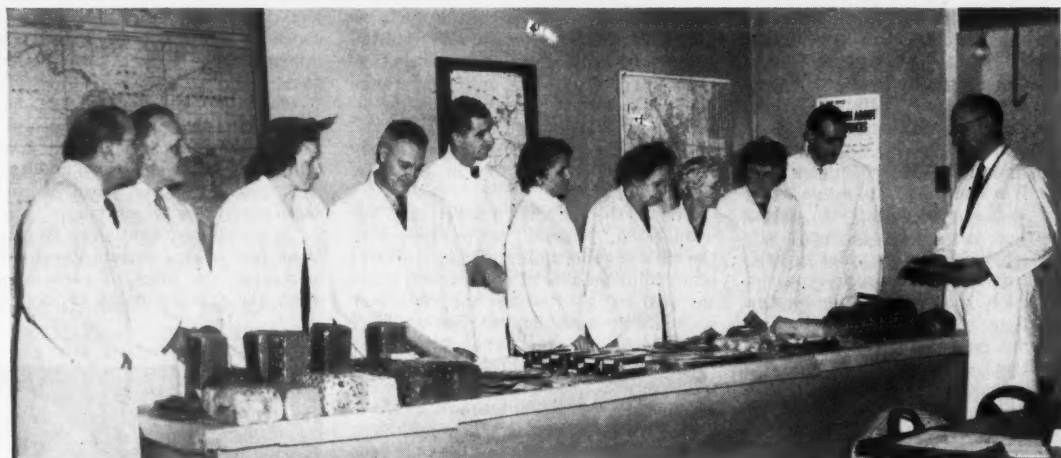
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R. A. PETERS (right), president of Peters Sausage Co., discusses company products with Ann Arbor teachers and principals.

## Making Your Business Community's Business

**H**ow to tell the people of a small community about your business and the part it plays in that community long has been a problem of the meat packer. Small profits often prohibit extensive advertising or public relations programs. Word of mouth by individual owners and managers is a slow and sometimes embarrassing procedure. Efforts through employees frequently have failed.

Then how? The Peters Sausage Co. of Detroit believes it has found a good way through co-operation with the Chamber of Commerce. The Ann Arbor branch of this company was one of 31 firms participating in the recent Ann Arbor Business-Industry-Education Day.

A group of ten teachers spent the entire day as guests of the Peters Sausage Co. in the Ann Arbor plant. They were told of the history and the growth of this 56-year-old firm, its policies, organization, products and the place of the company in the community and surrounding area. Prior to a plant tour, a representative of the Ann Arbor Health Department explained meat inspection and the reasons for such inspection. A complete tour of the plant included seeing and having explained

the entire slaughtering and cutting operation and lard rendering and packaging.

The afternoon program developed the administrative and management part of the plant operation in personnel, sales and accounting.

John C. Milton of the American Meat Institute concluded the day long program with a showing of the Institute's film "This Is Life" and the presentation of a five-point program for teaching about meat in the schools.

The Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce plans to make this B-I-E Day an annual affair with a different group of teachers visiting the plants each year.

R. A. Peters, president of the company, called this a program of educating the educators and believes it to be a basic method of informing the public about the meat business.

H. E. Welhener, manager of the Ann Arbor Plant, reports that one of the school principals asked him what he had done to get two of the teachers so enthused that they spent the following half day talking about the Peters Sausage Co.

## Supports Hike in Jobless Benefits, Not Annual Wage

Industry was urged this week by Sumner H. Slichter, Harvard University economics professor, to support a liberalized state unemployment compensation program rather than a guaranteed annual wage. He spoke at the annual personnel conference of the American Management Association.

Slichter said that most union annual wage plans call for the employer to build a reserve fund from which to pay unemployment benefits. "Since accumulating reserves is deflationary (reducing the volume of purchasing power)," he pointed out, "plans should not be started when business is contracting and the country is fighting deflation."

However, he continued, "until em-

ployers make an effort to persuade legislatures to liberalize unemployment compensation schemes, they are not in a good position to oppose the efforts of unions to accomplish the same result by collective bargaining."

Slichter pointed out that no employer could afford to pay for much labor that is not performed. The United Packinghouse Workers of America is one of four CIO unions that are pressing for a guaranteed annual wage.

## Philippines Need Meat

President Ramon Magsaysay of the Philippines has announced that he is prepared to release up to \$5,000,000 for importing frozen meat. A shortage of meat developed because the president banned the slaughter of carabaos, the water buffalo used for farm work on the islands.

## Sucher Packing Begins Driver Safety Program

Inauguration of a "Guardian of Safety Contest" for local and on-the-road drivers of The Sucher Packing Co., Dayton, Ohio, has been announced by Harry Samler, president of the company.

Sucher drivers will be awarded points on a progressive basis for each month of no-accident driving. Point bonuses will be given for each 12 months of safe driving, and a cash bonus of \$250 is offered to the drivers who complete five years of accident-free driving. The points are to be used toward the purchase of valuable prizes.

Safety consciousness also is being developed at drivers' meetings, by periodic mailings to the drivers' homes and by soliciting participation and co-operation of the drivers' families.

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## Shipping Pork in Bags

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are bagged as easily as any of the other meats.

The controls for the unit are two bar activated type switches located directly above the table top conveyor. The bottom bar starts the conveyor and the screw conveyor while the top bar activates the feeder screw. The bars run the length of the conveyor so the operator can control them from any spot.

J. K. Stark, works manager, said the economies of the bag, at both the packer and customer levels have prompted Cudahy Brothers to bag all their trimmings in this type of container. The bags, because they allow air circulation around a greater total area, permit a more rapid chill. There is no setup expense prior to bagging. The bags are ready to use as they come, and a hundred lot bundle of the bags takes up but a fraction of the space required for other containers which require a prior setup operation. The bags also obviate any danger of metal or other contamination to the product. Furthermore, Stark points out they are much easier to handle in the meat processor's plant. Cut open, the bag's contents can be quickly dumped onto the feed apron of the processing equipment such as a mixer, grinder or slicer. Burnable, the emptied bags do not clutter up the premises of the meat processor.

## Livestock Advisory Group Points Up Needs to USDA

Special effort on finding ways to identify cattle which are carriers of dwarfism, before they are used as breeders, was emphasized in animal breeding research recommendations of the Livestock Research Advisory Committee during the group's recent three-day meeting with USDA officials in Washington, D. C.

G. F. Chambers, president of the Valley Packing Co., Salem, Ore., and other members of the committee also recommended that the USDA continue research work on animal nutrition and on parasites and insects affecting animals, the expansion of work on range and grassland improvement and management, and further study of animal shelter requirements.

In utilization research, principal recommendations were: (1) to determine the basic chemical composition and improved processing methods of animal foods; (2) to study further the industrial utilization of animal fats and oils in synthetic detergents and in animal foods; (3) to study the leather-making proteins of hides to determine the properties of hides and their behavior in tanning; and (4) to study the effect of fat on human requirements for other nutrients in the diet, together with a determination of the important nutrients in meats.

In marketing research, chief recom-

## Cattle Numbers Set New Record; Hogs on Farms Lowest Since 1938

FOR the second straight year, numbers of cattle and calves on feed on farms and ranches set new records, according to estimates by the United States Department of Agriculture. Numbers of 94,677,000 head on January 1, 1954, exceed by more than 1 per cent the 93,637,000 a year earlier.

Hog numbers, however, declined sharply to an estimated 48,179,000 head or about 11 per cent below a year ago. Sheep numbers decreased the second consecutive year. Chickens on hand increased slightly and turkeys remained about the same.

Although the aggregate number of livestock and poultry declined only 1 per cent during 1953, the farm inventory value of \$11,900,000,000 was 20 per cent below a year ago and 39 per cent below the record high of \$19,600,000,000 on January 1, 1952. On January 1, 1954, values per head were lower than a year earlier for cattle and sheep but higher for hogs, chickens and turkeys. Most marked of all were the declines from a year earlier in average value per head of cattle, down 28 per cent, and stock sheep, down 12 per cent.

CATTLE: The new cattle numbers

record was established after five years of increases. Numbers are 16 per cent above the 10-year (1943-52) average of 81,673,000 head. Although steer numbers decreased 1,000,000 head, milk cows rose about 650,000 head and beef cows increased 1,260,000 head.

Milk cows and heifers two years old and older on farms January 1, 1954, were estimated at 24,765,000 head. This was 3 per cent more than a year ago but 3 per cent less than the 10-year average.

HOGS: Numbers estimated January 1, 1954, were the smallest since 1938 and 24 per cent below the 1943-52 average. Numbers were lower in all regions of the country, with the North Atlantic states down 18 per cent; South Central States down 18 per cent; South Atlantic states down 13 per cent, and Western states down 20 per cent. In the 12 Corn Belt states, the decline averaged 9 per cent.

SHEEP: Stock sheep numbers on farms and ranches on January 1, 1954, estimated at 26,905,000 head, were 3 per cent below the 27,700,000 head a year earlier and 20 per cent below the 1943-52 average of 33,732,000. All classes declined since January 1, 1953.

### ESTIMATE OF LIVESTOCK ON FARMS ON JANUARY 1, 1954

(Figures are in millions; last three zeros have been omitted)

	ALL CATTLE AND CALVES	2 YRS. OLD AND OVER KEPT FOR MILK <sup>1</sup>	COWS AND HEIFERS	SHEEP AND LAMBS	HOGS INCLUDING PIGS
1954	94,677	24,735	30,902	48,179	
*1953	93,637	24,094	31,861	54,294	
1952	88,062	23,407	31,725	63,903	
*1951	82,025	23,722	30,635	62,852	
*1950	77,963	23,853	29,826	58,852	
1949	78,208	24,416	31,654	67,128	
1948	78,126	25,039	34,827	55,028	
1947	81,207	26,008	37,837	56,921	
1946	82,434	26,896	42,436	61,301	
1945	85,573	27,770	46,520	59,331	
1944	85,334	27,704	50,782	63,741	
1943	81,204	27,138	55,150	73,881	
1942	76,025	26,313	56,213	60,607	
1941	71,755	25,453	53,920	54,353	
1940	68,309	24,940	52,107	61,165	
1939	66,029	24,600	51,505	50,012	
1938	65,249	24,466	51,210	44,525	
1937	66,068	24,649	51,019	43,083	
1936	67,847	25,196	51,087	42,975	

<sup>1</sup>Included in cattle and calves.

\*Revised figures.

mendations were that work be continued on grades and standards and on studies of consumer preferences and that market information on fats and oils and the outlets for them be kept current.

In marketing service and education the committee's top recommendations were: (1) that work by state departments of agriculture to maintain market statistics within the states, and to improve the marketing situation, be expanded; (2) that information on meat and livestock supplies in Canada and Mexico be kept current, as well as information on canned meat from South America, and (3) that a study be started of outlets for United States hides in foreign countries.

## Props for Dairy Products To Drop to 75% of Parity

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson announced this week that he will cut the support price of dairy products to 75 per cent of parity from the current 90 per cent, effective April 1.

He estimated that this will mean a reduction of about 8c a pound in the government's butter support level, currently about 66c a pound, and a lowering of retail butter prices by 8c to 10c. Secretary Benson also said he hopes to be able soon to announce a disposal plan for part of the huge government-owned surplus, which includes 270,000,000 lbs. of butter.



## Canadian Producers Ask Industry Investigation

Canada's prairie farm unions, expressing "alarm" because of falling meat prices, have called on their government to set up a board to investigate Canada's livestock industry.

The unions, headed by J. L. Phelps of Saskatoon, said there is a "fundamental flaw" in the government's price support program and that in most cases it benefited packers and processors and not producers.

The unions suggested the eventual goal should be development of a national livestock marketing board, controlled by producers, the government protecting it with adequate floor prices.

## Tells How Meat Price Must Absorb By-Products Loss

Tremendous changes in the work of the American packing industry have been brought about by declining values of by-products such as hides and tallow. Milton J. Schloss, president of E. Kahn's Sons Co., Cincinnati, pointed out recently in opening the 1954 lecture series of the University of Cincinnati Alumni Association.

These values have shrunk in the last few years so that a steer costing the same today, alive, as it did five years ago actually costs the packer 5c a pound more when it is ready for sale, Schloss said.

## Annual Meeting Set

The 32nd annual meeting of the Producers Live Stock Marketing Association, National Stock Yards, Ill., will be held Thursday, March 11, at the Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis. Speakers will include J. W. Burch, director of agricultural extension service, College of Agriculture, University of Missouri, and H. Roe Bartle, banker, lawyer, businessman and Scout executive of Kansas City.

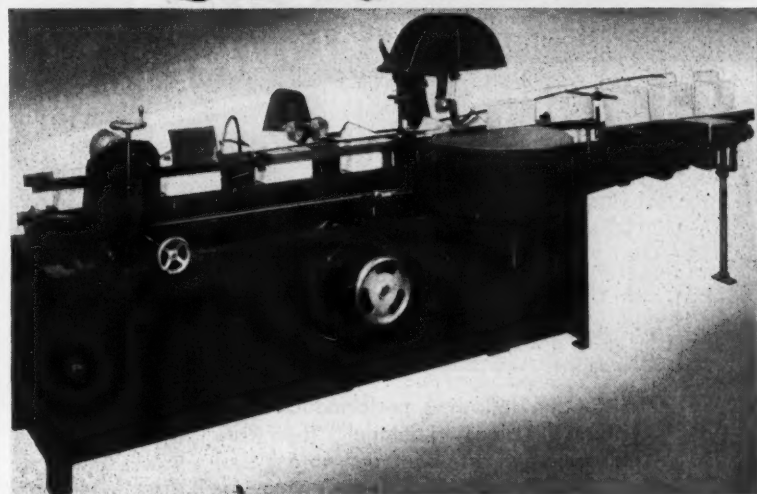
## Financial Notes

Swift & Company has declared an extra dividend of \$1 a share on the capital stock, an increase of 50c from the extra declared a year earlier.

Directors also declared the annual disbursement of \$2, payable in quarterly installments on April 1, July 1, October 1 and January 1, 1955 to stockholders of record one month earlier, respectively. The extra is payable March 1 to stockholders of record February 8.

## Packaging Machinery Manufacturers to Meet

Packaging Machinery Manufacturers Institute will hold its 22nd annual meeting at Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N. C., September 23-26, Robert T. Foreman, Institute president, of R. A. Jones & Co., Cincinnati, announced.



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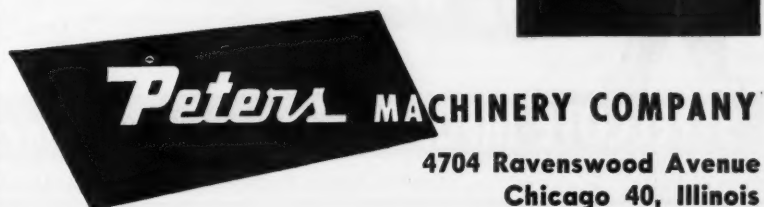
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# Meat Production Rises Slightly But Is Under Like Week Last Year

Meat production under federal inspection for the week ended February 13 was estimated at 335,000,000 lbs., according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This was an increase of 1 per cent compared with 333,000,000 lbs.

to be in the good and choice grades.

Cattle slaughter of 330,000 head was 3 per cent above the 319,000 slaughtered the preceding week and 14 per cent above the 289,000 for the corresponding week last year. Beef produc-

preceding week and 18 per cent below the 1,160,000 for the corresponding week of 1953. Production of pork was 129,600,000 lbs., compared with 135,400,000 lbs. a week ago and 152,900,000 lbs. a year ago. Lard production was 33,500,000 lbs., compared with 34,500,000 lbs. the previous week.

Sheep and lamb slaughter was 288,000 head, compared with 262,000 the preceding week and 278,000 last year. Production of lamb and mutton for the three weeks amounted to 13,800,000, 12,600,000 and 13,600,000 lbs.

For the week ended January 3, 1954, actual slaughter included 346,623 cattle, 125,424 calves, 1,079,335 hogs and 280,490 sheep and lambs. Revised estimate of production in millions of pounds was 185.6 beef, 13.1 veal, 146.2 pork excluding lard, 13.4 lamb and mutton and 39.1 lard.

## ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended February 13, 1954, with comparisons

	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and Mutton		Total Meat
	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.	Prod.
Feb. 13, 1954	330	179.8	116	12.2	957	129.6	288	13.8	335
Feb. 6, 1954	319	171.9	129	13.5	985	135.4	262	12.6	333
Feb. 14, 1954	289	163.9	98	10.6	1160	152.9	278	13.6	341

### AVERAGE WEIGHTS (LBS.)

Week Ended	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and Lambs		LARD PROD.	Total
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Per 100 lbs.	mil. lbs.
Feb. 13, 1954	1,000	545	190	105	240	135	102	48	14.6	33.5
Feb. 6, 1954	995	539	190	105	243	138	101	48	14.4	34.5
Feb. 14, 1954	1,011	596	192	108	232	132	103	49	14.9	40.0

a week earlier, but was 2 per cent below the 341,000,000 lbs. the corresponding week a year ago.

Hog slaughter, which has been dropping steadily since mid-January, continued to decrease and was smallest since last September except for holiday weeks. Slaughter of other species was above a year ago, that of both cattle and calves being fairly liberal for the season. Bulk of the steer beef continues

tion was 179,800,000 lbs., compared with 171,900,000 lbs. the preceding week and 163,500,000 lbs. a year ago.

Calf slaughter was 116,000 head, compared with 129,000 the preceding week and 98,000 last year. Output of inspected veal for the three weeks under comparison was 12,200,000, 13,500,000 and 10,600,000 lbs., respectively.

Slaughter of 957,000 hogs was 3 per cent below the 985,000 slaughtered the

## MARGINS ON LIGHTS AND MEDIUMS NARROW, HEAVIES LAG

(Chicago costs and credits, first two days of the week)

Improvement in product yield for all weights was partially offset by higher costs this week. There has been a steady gain in the light and medium weights with the margin on the medium narrowing considerably. Heavier hogs are still lagging.

This test is computed for illustrative purposes only. Each packer should figure his own test using actual costs, credits, yields and realizations. The values reported here are based on the available Chicago market figures for the first two days of the week.

—180-220 lbs.—					—220-240 lbs.—					—240-270 lbs.—				
Pct. live	Price lb.	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield	Value	Pct. live	Price lb.	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield	Value	Pct. live	Price lb.	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield	Value
Skinned hams	12.8	56.7	\$ 7.26	\$10.98	12.9	54.4	\$ 7.17	\$ 9.67	\$10.98	13.2	53.2	\$ 7.02	\$ 9.72	\$10.98
Picnics	5.8	34.5	2.00	2.50	5.6	33.5	1.87	2.60	2.51	5.5	33.0	1.81	2.51	2.51
Boston butts	4.3	45.6	1.96	2.78	4.1	42.6	1.75	2.46	2.41	4.1	42.6	1.74	2.41	2.41
Loins (blade in)	10.2	50.4	5.14	7.36	9.9	47.2	4.45	6.55	6.22	9.7	46.2	4.48	6.22	6.22
			\$16.36	\$23.32			\$15.24	\$21.26				\$15.05	\$21.03	
Bellies, S. P.	11.1	52.3	5.80	8.26	9.6	50.9	4.87	6.86	6.86	4.1	48.7	2.00	2.77	2.77
Bellies, D. S.					2.1	30.9	.65	.92	.92	8.6	50.9	2.15	3.04	3.04
Fat backs					3.2	11.8	.38	.52	.52	4.6	12.0	.55	.70	.70
Jowls					1.7	18.4	.31	.45	.45	1.9	18.4	.35	.50	.50
Raw leaf					2.3	16.5	.38	.53	.53	2.2	16.5	.36	.51	.51
P.S. lard, rend. wt.	14.9	16.1	2.40	3.46	13.5	16.1	2.17	3.08	3.08	11.1	16.1	1.78	2.60	2.60
			\$ 8.89	\$12.71			\$ 8.74	\$12.33				\$ 7.09	\$10.78	
Spareribs	1.6	42.6	.68	.98	1.6	42.6	.68	.97	.97	1.6	42.6	.68	.94	.94
Regular trimmings	3.3	25.1	.83	1.18	3.1	25.1	.78	1.04	1.04	2.9	25.1	.72	1.03	1.03
Feet, tails, etc.	2.0	15.5	.31	.45	2.0	15.5	.31	.42	.42	2.0	15.5	.31	.43	.43
Offal & misc.			.70	1.00			.70	.98	.98			.70	.98	.98
TOTAL YIELD & VALUE	70.0		\$27.77	\$39.64	71.5		\$26.45	\$37.00	72.0		\$25.15	\$35.10		
		Per cwt. alive		Per cwt. fin. yield			Per cwt. alive		Per cwt. fin. yield			Per cwt. alive		Per cwt. fin. yield
Cost of hogs		\$26.54		\$26.37			\$26.37		\$26.37			\$26.37		\$26.37
Condemnation loss		.13		.13			.13		.13			.13		.13
Handling and overhead		1.70		1.50			1.50		1.37			1.37		1.37
TOTAL COST PER CWT.		\$28.37		\$28.00			\$28.00		\$28.00			\$28.00		\$28.00
TOTAL VALUE		\$39.64		\$39.64			\$39.64		\$39.64			\$39.64		\$39.64
Cutting margin		-\$1.55		-\$1.55			-\$1.55		-\$1.55			-\$1.55		-\$1.55
Margin last week		-.68		-1.03			-1.54		-2.23			-2.28		-3.18

## AMI PROVISION STOCKS

Total of all pork meat holdings as of February 13, rose to 7 per cent above stocks reported on January 30, according to the American Meat Institute. Total pork stocks at 319,500,000 lbs. compared with 297,600,000 lbs. two weeks earlier. A year ago these holdings were reported at 458,500,000 lbs.

Total lard and rendered pork fat holdings amounted to 59,800,000 lbs. against 59,200,000 lbs. two weeks before and 159,600,000 lbs. a year earlier.

The accompanying table shows stocks as percentages of holdings two weeks and a year earlier.

	Feb. 13 stocks as Percentage of Inventories on	Jan. 30 1954	Feb. 14 1953
BELLIES:			
Cured, D. S.	104	75	
Cured, S. P. & D. C.	93	71	
Frozen-for-cure, regular	112	48	
Frozen-for-cure, S. P. & D. C.	116	74	
Total bellies	108	72	
HAMS:			
Cured, S. P. regular	98	63	
Cured, S. P. skinned	99	64	
Frozen-for-cure, skinned	120	86	
Total hams	111	76	
PICNICS:			
Cured, S. P.	98	38	
Frozen-for-cure	109	71	
Total picnics	107	61	
FAT BACKS:			
D. S. CURED	98	102	
OTHER CURED AND FROZEN-FOR-CURE			
Total other	103	76	
BARRELED PORK	100	250	
FRESH FROZEN			
Loins, shoulder butts and spareribs	117	45	
All other	96	69	
TOT. ALL PORK MEATS	107	79	
RENDERED PORK FATS	81	81	
LARD	102	37	

## CHICAGO PROV. SHIPMENTS

Provision shipment by rail, in the week ended Feb. 13, with comparisons:

	Week Feb. 6	Previous Week	Cor. Week 1953
Cured meats, pounds	13,272,000	14,729,000	4,218,000
Fresh meats, pounds	20,112,000	20,980,000	21,341,000
Lard pounds	2,352,000	2,950,000	2,835,000



## Cold Storage Meat Stocks Rise 3.5% In January; 26% Less Than 1953

**T**OTAL inventories of meats in cold storage on January 31, 1954, showed a slight increase over a month earlier; however, the aggregate of all meats dropped sharply from both a year earlier and the five-year average

larger than January, 1954, inventories.

Beef stocks dropped some 8 per cent from the previous month's 227,433,000 lbs. for January as compared with 249,054,000 lbs. for December. While the January holdings were well above the

Small stocks also showed a slight decrease for the holdings in cold storage at the end of January. While only dropping slightly, the lamb and mutton inventories for January, at 11,650,000 lbs. as compared with 12,232,000 lbs. for December, were well below the January, 1953, holdings of 20,816,000 lbs. and the five-year average of 16,305,000 lbs.

Veal inventories, on the other hand, at 19,310,000 lbs. for January 31, while still slightly under the previous month's total of 20,614,000 lbs., were above the five-year average of 16,800,000 lbs. However, they also were well below the January 31, 1953, holdings of 23,332,000 lbs.

Fancy meats holdings were at a record low. From 59,251,000 lbs. in December, 1953, the holdings on January 31 were down to 18,900,000 lbs. This figure was roughly a third of the 65,715,000 lb. five-year average and a fourth of the holdings on January 31, 1953, of 69,849,000 lbs.

Stocks of canned meats and meat products totaled 37,242,000 lbs. on January 31 compared with 34,022,000 lbs. a month before, 45,183,000 lbs. a year earlier and the five-year average of 36,146,000 lbs. Stocks of sausage room products for the three dates and the five-year average were 15,007,000 lbs. for January 31, 1954; 14,615,000 lbs. for December 31, 1953, 19,378,000 lbs. for January 31, 1953, and 14,927,000 lbs. for the five-year average.

### U. S. COLD STORAGE STOCKS, JANUARY 31, 1954

	Jan. 31 1954	Jan. 31 1953	Dec. 31 1953	5-yr. av. 1948-52
	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.
Beef, frozen	218,080	240,714	240,916	175,580
Beef, in cure and cured	9,353	14,207	8,138	13,656
Total beef	227,433	263,921	249,054	189,236
Pork, frozen	248,927	389,589	202,950	392,575
P. S. in cure and cured	34,532	43,341	30,499	45,900
S. P. in cure and cured	105,772	102,618	92,649	135,825
Total pork	391,221	595,546	326,098	627,300
Lamb and mutton, frozen	11,650	20,816	12,232	16,305
Veal, frozen	19,310	23,337	20,614	16,800
All offal	18,890	69,849	59,251	65,715
Canned meat and meat products	37,242	45,183	34,022	36,146
Sausage room products	15,007	19,378	14,615	14,927
The Government holds in cold storage outside of processors' hands	21,774,000 lbs.			

for the date, according to figures released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

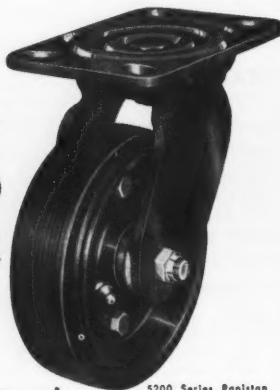
Cold storage stocks at the close of January amounted to 1,337,417,000 lbs., or 3.5 per cent more than a month before at 1,291,038,000 lbs., but showed a 29.5 per cent drop from the 1,897,497,000 lbs. on the same date a year earlier. The five year 1948-52 average at 1,782,965,000 lbs. was 25.5 per cent

five-year average of 189,236,000 lbs., they were about the same percentage level below the holdings of January, 1953, which totaled 263,921,000 lbs.

Pork, at 391,221,000 lbs., while some 19 per cent above the 326,098,000 lbs. in stock the prior month, still was 37.6 per cent below the five year average of 627,300,000 lbs. The holdings were also well below the January 31, 1953 inventories of pork at 595,546,000 lbs.

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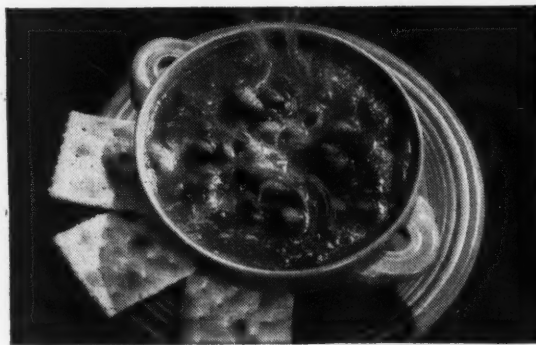
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# MEAT and SUPPLIES PRICES

## CHICAGO

### WHOLESALE FRESH MEATS

#### CARCASS BEEF

Native steers	Feb. 10, 1954
Prime, 600/800	42 1/2
Choice, 500/700	38 @ 38 1/2
Choice, 700/800	38
Good, 700/800	35 @ 35 1/2
Commercial cows	23 @ 23 1/2
Can. & cut. cows	22 1/2
Bulls	24 1/2 @ 25

### STEER BEEF CUTS

Prime:	
Forequarter	54.0 @ 55.0
Round	34.0 @ 35.0
Round	46.0 @ 48.0
Trimmed full loin	88.0 @ 92.0
Regular chuck	36.0 @ 38.0
Foreshank	16.0 @ 18.0
Brisket	32.0 @ 33.0
Rib	60.0 @ 63.0
Short plate	12.0 @ 13.0
Flanks (rough)	12.0 @ 13.0

### Choice:

Hindquarter	44.0 @ 46.0
Forequarter	31.0 @ 34.0
Round	44.0 @ 48.0
Trimmed full loin	57.0 @ 63.0
Regular chuck	34.0 @ 38.0
Foreshank	16.0 @ 18.0
Brisket	32.0 @ 33.0
Rib	44.0 @ 48.0
Short plate	12.0 @ 13.0
Flanks (rough)	12.0 @ 13.0

### Good:

Round	43.0 @ 45.0
Regular chuck	34.0 @ 35.0
Brisket	32.0 @ 33.0
Rib	38.0 @ 42.0
Loins	45.0 @ 50.0

### COW & BULL TENDERLOINS

3/4 range cows	50 @ 52
3/4 range cows	58 @ 60
4/5 range cows	63 @ 65
5/6 range cows	80
Bulls, 5/6	80

### BEEF HAM SETS

Knuckles	44 @ 44 1/2
Insides	44 @ 44 1/2
Outsides	41

### BEEF PRODUCTS

Tongues, No. 1	31 @ 35
Hearts, regular	11 @ 11 1/2
Livers, selected	27 1/2 @ 28 1/2
Livers, regular	18 @ 18 1/2
Tripe, scalded	6 1/2 @ 7
Tripe, cooked	9 1/2 @ 10
Lips, scalded	6 @ 8
Lips, unscalded	6 @ 8
Langs	7 @ 8
Melts	7 @ 8
Edlers	5

### FANCY MEATS

(L.C.L. prices)	
Beef tongues, corned	35 @ 38
Veal breads, under 12 oz.	38 @ 42
12 oz. up	80 @ 85
Cal tongues, 1/2 down	21 @ 28
6 oz. tails, under 1/2 lb.	12 @ 15
Over 1/2 lb.	16 @ 18

### WHOLESALE SMOKED MEATS

Hams, skinned, 14/10 lbs.	58 @ 64
Hams, skinned, 14/16 lbs.	62 @ 67
ready-to-eat, wrapped	62 @ 67
Hams, skinned, 16/18 lbs.	59 @ 63 1/2
ready-to-eat, wrapped	61 @ 66
Bacon, fancy, trimmed, brisket off, 8/10 lbs., wrapped	65 @ 69
Bacon, fancy square cut, seedless, 12/14 1/2 lbs., wrapped	63 @ 66
Bacon, No. 1 sliced, 1-lb. open-faced layers	73 @ 77

### VEAL—SKIN OFF

(L.C.L. prices)	
Choice, 110/150	\$37.00 @ 41.00
Prime, 80/110	44.00 @ 48.00
Prime, 110/150	44.00 @ 46.00
Choice, 80/110	40.00 @ 44.00
Choice, 110/150	37.00 @ 41.00
Good, 50/80	32.00 @ 35.00
Good, 80/110	35.00 @ 38.00
Good, 110/150	34.00 @ 37.00
Commercial, all wts.	24.00 @ 31.00

### CARCASS MUTTON

(L.C.L. prices)	
Choice, 70/down	18
Good, 70/down	16

### CARCASS LAMB

(L.C.L. prices)

Prime, 40/50	42 @ 44
Prime, 50/60	42 @ 43
Choice, 40/50	41 @ 43
Choice, 50/60	39 @ 40
Good, all weights	37 @ 38

### SAUSAGE MATERIALS—FRESH

Pork trim., reg. 40% bbls.	28
Pork trim., guar. 50% lean, bbls.	32 1/2
Pork trim., 80% lean, bbls.	46 @ 47
Pork trim., 95% lean, bbls.	55
Pork cheek meat, trmd., bbls.	35 1/2 @ 36
C.C. cow meat, bbls.	31 @ 31 1/2
Bull meat, bon'ls, bbls.	34 @ 34 1/2
Beef trimmings, 75/85, bbls.	21 1/2
Beef trimmings, 85/90%, bbls.	25 @ 25 1/2
Bon'ls chucks, bbls.	32
Beef cheek meat, trmd., bbls.	20
Beef head meat, bbls.	17 1/2
Shank meat, bbls.	32 1/2 @ 33
Veal trim., bon'ls, bbls.	30

### FRESH PORK AND PORK PRODUCTS

(L.C.L. prices)

Hams, skinned, 10/14	56 1/2 @ 60
Hams, skinned, 14/10	55 @ 55 1/2
Pork loins, regular, 12/down, 100's	53
Pork loin, boneless, 100's	68
Shoulders, under 16 lbs., 100's	40 1/2
Picnics, 4/6 lbs., loose	36 1/2
Picnics, 6/8 lbs., loose	35
Pork livers	19 @ 20
Boston butts, 4/8 lbs.	48
Tenderloins, fresh, 10's	79
Neck bones, bbls.	17
Brains, 10's	16
Ears, 30's	18
Snouts, lean in, 100's	16
Feet, s.c., 30's	15

### SAUSAGE CASINGS

(L.C.L. prices quoted to manufacturers of sausage)

Beef casings:	
Domestic rounds, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in.	55 @ 65
Domestic rounds, over 1 3/4 in., 140 pack	80 @ 1.10
Export rounds, wide, over 1 3/4 in.	1.40 @ 1.65
Export rounds, medium, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in.	75 @ 85
Export rounds, narrow, 1 1/2 in. under	1.00 @ 1.25
No. 1 weans, 24 in. up	12 @ 14
No. 1 weans, 22 in. up	9 @ 12
No. 2 weans	7 @ 10
Middles, sew., 1 3/4/2 in.	85 @ 1.25
Middles, select, wide, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 in.	1.40 @ 1.65
Middles, extra select, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 in.	1.85 @ 2.50
Middles, extra select, 2 1/2 in. & up	2.75 @ 3.40
Beef bungs, exp., No. 1	21 @ 29
Beef bungs, domestic	18 @ 24
Dried or salt, bladders, piece:	
8-10 in. wide, flat	5 @ 9
10-12 in. wide, flat	8 @ 12
12-15 in. wide, flat	17 @ 23
Pork casings:	
Extra narrow, 29 mm. & dn.	3.70 @ 4.25
Narrow, medium, 29 @ 32 mm.	3.65 @ 4.25
Medium, 32 @ 35 mm.	2.75 @ 3.00
Spec. med., 35 @ 38 mm.	1.80 @ 2.00
Export bungs, 34 in. cut.	40 @ 42
Large prime bungs, 34 in. cut	25 @ 33
Medium prime bungs, 34 in. cut	20 @ 23
Small prime bungs	12 @ 17
Middles, per set, cap. off	50 @ 65
Sheep cas. (per hank):	
28/28 mm.	3.55 @ 4.50
24/26 mm.	4.00 @ 4.35
22/24 mm.	4.00 @ 4.25
20/22 mm.	3.00 @ 3.25
18/20 mm.	1.75 @ 2.15
16/18 mm.	1.00 @ 1.25

### DRY SAUSAGE

(L.C.L. prices)

Cervelat, ch. hogs bungs	87 @ 91
Thuringer	42 @ 45
Farmer	70 @ 75
Holsteiner	73 @ 78
B. C. Salami	80 @ 89
Genoa style salami, ch.	98 @ 1.00

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### DOMESTIC SAUSAGE

(L.C.L. prices)

Pork sausage, hog casings.	50 1/2
Pork sausage, sheep cas.	58 @59
Frankfurters, sheep cas.	49 1/2 @51
Frankfurters, skinless	39 1/2 @42 1/2
Bologna (ring)	37 1/2 @44
Bologna, artificial cas.	33 1/2 @35 1/2
Smoked liver, hog bungs.	45 1/2
New Eng. lunch, spec.	72 @74
Souse	34
Polish sausage, smoked.	48 @60
Pickle & Pimiento loaf.	34 1/2 @41 1/2
Olive loaf	35 1/2 @44 1/2
Pepper loaf	42 @58 1/2
Smokie snacks	None rec.
Smokie links	None rec.

### SPICES

(Basis Chgo., orig. bbls., bags, bales)

	Whole	Ground
Allspice, prime	61	67
Resifted	66	70
Chili Powder	47	
Chili Pepper	47	
Cloves, Zanzibar	93	99
Ginger, Jam., unbl.	29	34
Ginger, African	29	34
Mace, fancy, Banda		1.45
West Indies		1.60
East Indies		1.60
Mustard flour, fancy	37	
No. 1	33	
West India Nutmeg	49	
Paprika, Spanish	51	
Pepper, Cayenne	54	
Red, No. 1	53	
Pepper, Packers	1.06	1.40
Malabar	1.06	1.15
Black Lampong	1.06	1.16

### SEEDS AND HERBS

(L.C.L. prices)

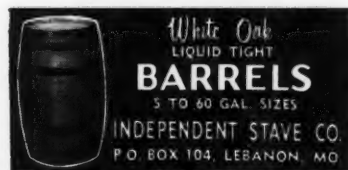
	Whole	Ground
Caraway seed	25	28
Cominos seed	26	30
Mustard seed, fancy	23	
Yellow American	17	
Oregano	45	52
Coriander, Morocco		
Natural No. 1	15	19
Marjoram, French	40	47
Sage, Dalmatian		
No. 1	60	68

### CURING MATERIALS

	Cwt.
Nitrite of soda, in 400-lb. bbls., del. or f.o.b. Chgo.	\$10.00
Saltpeter, n. ton, f.o.b. N.Y.	
Bbl. refined gran.	11.25
Small crystals	14.00
Medium crystals	15.40
Pure rfd., gran. nitrate of soda	5.25
Pure rfd., powdered nitrate of soda	6.25
Salt, in min. car. of 45,000 lbs., only, paper sacked, f.o.b. Chgo.	
Granulated (ton)	\$28.00
Rock, per ton in 100-lb. bags, f.o.b. warehouse, Chgo.	26.00
Sugar—	
Raw, 96 basis, f.o.b. N.Y.	6.00
Refined standard cane gran., basis	8.10
Packers, curing sugar, 100-lb. bags, f.o.b. Reserve, La., less 2%	8.10
Dextrose, per cwt.	
L.C.L. ex-warehouse, Chgo.	7.50
C/L Del. Chgo.	7.40

### PACIFIC COAST WHOLESALE MEAT PRICES

	Los Angeles Feb. 16	No. Portland Feb. 16	San Francisco Feb. 16
<b>FRESH BEEF (Carcass)</b>			
<b>STEER:</b>			
Choice:			
500-600 lbs.	\$38.00@40.00	\$38.00@40.00	\$39.00@41.00
600-700 lbs.	37.00@38.00	37.00@39.00	38.00@40.00
Good:			
500-600 lbs.	34.00@36.00	36.00@38.00	36.00@38.00
600-700 lbs.	32.00@35.00	35.00@38.00	35.00@37.00
Commercial:			
350-500 lbs.	31.00@34.00	31.00@36.00	33.00@37.00
<b>COW:</b>			
Commercial, all wts.	25.00@28.00	25.00@31.00	25.00@29.00
Utility, all wts.	24.00@26.00	24.00@29.00	24.00@27.00
<b>FRESH CALF:</b>	(Skin-Off)	(Skin-Off)	(Skin-Off)
Choice:			
200 lbs. down	38.00@41.00	42.00@44.00	None quoted
200 lbs. down	36.00@39.00	39.00@42.00	38.00@42.00
<b>FRESH LAMB (Carcass):</b>			
Prime:			
40-50 lbs.	40.00@42.00	40.00@43.00	41.00@43.00
50-60 lbs.	39.00@41.00	40.00@43.00	40.00@41.00
Choice:			
40-50 lbs.	40.00@42.00	40.00@43.00	41.00@43.00
50-60 lbs.	39.00@41.00	40.00@43.00	40.00@41.00
Good, all wts.	36.00@39.00	None quoted	None quoted
<b>MUTTON (EWE):</b>			
Choice, 70 lbs. down	22.00@25.00	16.00@22.00	None quoted
Good, 70 lbs. down	22.00@25.00	16.00@22.00	None quoted
<b>FRESH PORK CARCASSES (Packer Style)</b>	(Shipper Style)	(Shipper Style)	(Shipper Style)
80-120 lbs.	None quoted	None quoted	41.00@45.00
120-160 lbs.	41.00@42.50	40.50@42.00	40.00@49.00
<b>LOINS:</b>			
8-10 lbs.	57.00@59.00	53.00@58.00	56.00@60.00
10-12 lbs.	57.00@59.00	52.00@58.00	54.00@58.00
12-16 lbs.	57.00@59.00	50.00@57.00	54.00@57.00
<b>FRESH PORK CUTS No. 1:</b>	(Smoked)	(Smoked)	(Smoked)
<b>PICNICS:</b>			
4-8 lbs.	39.00@44.00	41.00@46.00	42.00@48.00
<b>HAMS, Skinned:</b>			
12-16 lbs.	57.00@64.00	62.00@65.00	62.00@68.00
16-18 lbs.	56.00@64.00	None quoted	60.00@65.00
<b>BACON, "Dry Cure" No. 1:</b>			
6-8 lbs.	66.00@72.00	69.00@75.00	70.00@76.00
8-10 lbs.	64.00@72.00	69.00@75.00	67.00@74.00
10-12 lbs.	62.00@68.00	65.00@70.00	None quoted
<b>LARD, Refined:</b>			
1-lb. cartons	22.00@23.50	20.00@23.00	22.50@26.00
50-lb. cartons and cans	21.00@22.50	None quoted	22.00@23.00
Tierces	20.00@21.00	20.00@23.00	21.00@22.00



# CHICAGO PROVISION MARKETS

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## CASH PRICES

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CHICAGO BASIS

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 1954

REGULAR HAMS

Fresh or F.F.A.	Frozen
8-10 ..... 56 1/2 n	50n
10-12 ..... 56 1/2 n	50n
12-14 ..... 55 1/2 n	53 1/2 n
14-16 ..... 55 1/2 n	52 1/2 n
16-18 ..... 51n	50 1/2 n
18-20 ..... 49 1/2 n	49 1/2 n
20-22 ..... 48n	48n

SKINNED HAMS

Fresh or F.F.A.	Frozen
6-8 ..... 50	58 1/2 n
12-14 ..... 55 1/2 n	55 1/2 n
14-16 ..... 54 1/2 n @ 55	54 1/2 n @ 55
16-18 ..... 53 1/2 n	53 1/2 n
18-20 ..... 51 1/2 n	51 1/2 n
20-22 ..... 50 1/2 n	50 1/2 n
22-24 ..... 49 1/2 n	49 1/2 n
24-26 ..... 49n	49n
26-30 ..... 49n	49n
25/up, 2's in, 47 @ 47 1/2	33n

PICNICS

Fresh or F.F.A.	Frozen
4-6 ..... 36	36
6-8 ..... 34 1/2	34 1/2
8-10 ..... 35 @ 35	34 1/2
10-12 ..... 34 1/2	33n
12-14 ..... 34 @ 35	33n
8/up, 2's in, 34 @ 35	33n

OTHER CELLAR CUTS

Fresh or Frozen	Cured
Square Jowls, 28 1/2	28 1/2 n
Jowl Butts, 21 1/2 b	21 1/2
S. P. Jowls, 21n	21n

BELLIES  
(Square Cut)

Green	Cured
6-8 ..... 53n	54 1/2 n
8-10 ..... 53	54 1/2 n
10-12 ..... 50 1/2	52n
12-14 ..... 48 1/2 @ 49	50 1/2 @ 50 1/2 n
14-16 ..... 46 1/2 n	48n
16-18 ..... 44b	45 1/2 n
18-20 ..... 42	43 1/2 n

BELLIES BELLIES

Clear	Cured
18-20 ..... 34n	33n
20-25 ..... 34b	33
25-30 ..... 34b	33
30-35 ..... 28 1/2 b	32
35-40 ..... 27 1/2 b	32
40-50 ..... 25b	27 1/2

FAT BACKS

Fresh or Frozen	Cured
6-8 ..... 13 1/2 n	13 1/2 n
8-10 ..... 13 1/2 n	13 1/2 n
10-12 ..... 13 1/2 n	14
12-14 ..... 13 1/2 n	14 1/2
14-16 ..... 15 1/2 n	15 1/2 @ 15 1/2
16-18 ..... 16n	16
18-20 ..... 16n	16
20-25 ..... 16n	16

BARBELED PORK

Clear Fat Back	Pork
30/40 ..... 60/70	35 1/2 n
40/50 ..... 41n	70/80 ..... 35n
50/60 ..... 38n	80/100 ..... 34n
	100/125 ..... 33n

# MARKET PRICES

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WHOLESALE FRESH MEATS  
CARCASS BEEF

Feb. 13, 1954

Per Cwt.	Western
Prime, 800 lbs./down, .....	\$43.00 @ 45.00
Prime, 800/900 .....	40.00 @ 43.00
Choice, 800 lbs./down .....	38.00 @ 41.00
Choice, 800/900 .....	37.00 @ 38.00
Good, 500/700 .....	35.00 @ 37.00
Good, commercial .....	30.00 @ 32.00
Cow, commercial .....	26.00 @ 29.00
Cow, utility .....	22.00 @ 25.00

BEEF CUTS

City	City
Prime:	
Hindquarters, 600/800 .....	53.00 @ 60.00
Hindquarters, 800/900 .....	50.00 @ 52.00
Rounds, no flank .....	49.00 @ 52.00
Rounds, Diamond bone, .....	50.00 @ 52.00
Short loins, untrim .....	80.00 @ 85.00
Short loins, trim .....	115.00 @ 120.00
Flanks .....	11.00 @ 13.00
Ribs (7 bone cut) .....	62.00 @ 66.00
Arm chucks .....	41.00 @ 42.00
Briskets .....	35.00 @ 37.00
Plates .....	16.00 @ 18.00
Forequarters (Kosher) .....	43.00 @ 47.00
Arm chucks (Kosher) .....	48.00 @ 52.00
Briskets (Kosher) .....	16.00 @ 19.00

FRESH PORK CUTS  
(L.c.l. prices)

Western	
Pork loins, 8/12 .....	\$52.00 @ 56.00
Pork loins, 12/16 .....	50.00 @ 53.00
Hams, sknd., 14/down .....	57.00 @ 60.00
Boston butts, 4/8 .....	47.00 @ 51.00
Spareribs, 3/down .....	48.00 @ 51.00
Pork trim., regular ..	None rec.
Pork trim., spec. 80% ..	None rec.

CITY

Hams, sknd., 14/down .....	\$39.00 @ 44.00
Pork loins, 8/12 .....	54.00 @ 56.00
Pork loins, 12/16 .....	54.00 @ 56.00
Picnics, 4/8 .....	40.00 @ 42.00
Boston butts, 4/8 lbs. .....	48.00 @ 53.00
Spareribs, 3/down .....	49.00 @ 53.00

VEAL—SKIN OFF

(L.c.l. prices)	Western
Prime, 80/110 .....	\$48.00 @ 51.00
Prime, 110/150 .....	46.00 @ 49.00
Choice, 50/80 .....	38.00 @ 41.00
Choice, 80/110 .....	41.00 @ 44.00
Choice, 110/150 .....	37.00 @ 42.00
Choice, 110/150 .....	37.00 @ 42.00
Good, 50/80 .....	29.00 @ 32.00
Good, 80/110 .....	32.00 @ 36.00
Good, 110/150 .....	30.00 @ 34.00
Commercial, all wts. .....	27.00 @ 31.00

DRESSED HOGS

(l.c.l. prices)	
100 to 112 lbs. ....	\$40.50@42.50
113 to 125 lbs. ....	40.50@42.50
126 to 138 lbs. ....	40.50@42.50
139 to 150 lbs. ....	40.50@42.50

BUTCHERS' FAT

Shop fat .....	1 1/2 c lb.
Breast fat .....	2 1/2 c lb.
Indolible suet .....	2 1/2 c lb.
Edible suet .....	2 1/2 c lb.

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT  
SIOUX CITY

Prices paid for livestock at Sioux City on Wednesday, Feb. 17, were reported as follows:

CATTLE:

Steers, good .....	\$19.50 @ 21.50
Steers, prime & ch. ....	26.50
Steers, choice .....	21.50 @ 24.00
Steers, good & low ch. ....	19.00 @ 21.00
Heifers, choice .....	19.00 @ 22.00
Heifers, com'l to high .....	15.00 @ 18.50
Cows, util. & com'l .....	11.50 @ 12.50
Cows, can. & cut .....	10.00 @ 11.00
Bulls, com'l .....	12.00 @ 14.50
Bulls, good .....	11.00 @ 11.50

HOGS:

Choice, 190/240 .....	26.25 @ 26.75
Choice, 200/240 .....	26.00 @ 26.50
Good, 240/270 .....	25.25 @ 26.50
Good, ch., 270/300 .....	24.25 @ 25.50
Cows, 550/down .....	20.75 @ 23.00

LAMBS:

Choice & prime .....	21.25 @ 22.25
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## LARD FUTURES PRICES

FRIDAY, FEB. 12, 1954

No session

Lincoln's Birthday

MONDAY, FEB. 15, 1954

Open	High	Low	Close
Mar. 17.00	17.17 1/2	16.92 1/2	17.00
May 16.42 1/2	16.50	16.37 1/2	16.37 1/2 b
July 15.72 1/2	15.87 1/2	15.72 1/2	15.80ax
Sept. 15.50	15.52 1/2	15.45	15.45ax
Oct. 15.00	15.00	14.97 1/2	14.97 1/2 ax

Sales: 6,320,000 lbs.

Open Interest at close Thurs., Feb. 11th: Mar. 653, May 447, July 349, Sept. 88, and Oct. 14 lots.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16, 1954

Mar. 17.00	17.02 1/2	16.92 1/2	16.65
May 16.40	16.45	16.15	16.15b
July 15.90	15.95	15.60	15.67 1/2
Sept. 15.55	15.55	15.30	15.30
Oct. 14.85	14.85	14.85	14.85

Sales: 8,050,000 lbs.

Open Interest at close Mon., Feb. 15th: Mar. 646, May 452, July 352, Sept. 99, and Oct. 16 lots.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 1954

Mar. 16.65	16.95	16.65	16.85
May 16.10	16.40	16.10	16.40
July 15.62 1/2	15.90	15.60	15.87 1/2 a
Sept. 15.25	15.47 1/2 b	15.25	15.47 1/2 b
Oct. 14.82 1/2	14.92 1/2 b	14.82 1/2	14.92 1/2 b

Sales: 4,640,030 lbs.

Open Interest at close Tues., Feb. 16th: Mar. 632, May 464, July 349, Sept. 100, and Oct. 16.

THURSDAY, FEB. 18, 1954

Mar. 16.95	17.00	16.80	16.95a
May 16.47 1/2	16.80	16.35	16.47 1/2
July 15.90	15.95	15.85	15.92 1/2
Sept. 15.50	15.50	15.40	15.50
Oct. 14.90	14.90	14.90	14.90

Sales: 8,500,000 lbs.

Open Interest at close Wed., Feb. 17th: Mar. 618, May 462, July 352, Sept. 103, and Oct. 17 lots.

## CORN-HOG RATIO

The corn-hog ratio for barrows and gilts at Chicago for the week ended Feb. 13, 1954, was 16.4 according to a report by the U. S. department of Agriculture. This ratio compared with the 16.6 ratio reported for the preceding week and 13.3 recorded for the same week a year ago. These ratios were calculated on the basis of yellow corn selling at \$1.562 per bu. in the week ended Feb. 13, 1954 \$1.544 per bu. in the previous week and \$1.497 per bu. for the same period a year earlier.

## PACKERS' WHOLESALE LARD PRICES

Refined lard, tierces, f.o.b. Chicago .....	\$21.25
Refined lard, 50-lb. cartons, f.o.b. Chicago .....	21.25
Kettle rend., tierces, f.o.b. Chicago .....	21.75
Leaf, kettle rend., tierces, f.o.b. Chicago .....	22.75
Lard flakes .....	25.75
Neutral tierces, f.o.b. Chicago .....	25.75
Standard shortening* N. & S. .....	20.00
Hydrogenated shortening, N. & S. .....	21.75

\*Delivered.

## WEEK'S LARD PRICES

P.S. Lard	P.S. Lard	Raw
Tierces	Loose	Leaf
Feb. 12 .....	None quoted	Legal holiday
Feb. 13 .....	None quoted	Legal holiday
Feb. 15 .....	17.00n	16.37 1/2 n
Feb. 16 .....	16.87 1/2 a	15.87 1/2 a
Feb. 17 .....	17.00n	16.25b
Feb. 18 .....	17.00n	16.25b

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# BY-PRODUCTS....FATS AND OILS

## TALLOWES AND GREASES

Wednesday, February 17, 1954

Inquiry in the inedible fats market late last week was reported as very good, and the market advanced fractionally on sales and bids.

Several tanks of No. 1 tallow traded at 7c, Chicago. A couple of tanks of (not all hog) choice white grease sold at 9½c, Chicago. A few tanks of B-white grease sold at 7½c, c.a.f. Chicago. All hog choice white grease was reported available at 10½c, c.a.f. East, and without action.

A tank of house grease sold at 6½c, Chicago, and another tank sold at the market. There was indication of 8½c, c.a.f. East, on original fancy tallow. Several tanks of bleachable fancy tallow sold at 8½c, delivered East. A few tanks of prime tallow sold at 8.05c, c.a.f. New Orleans. Additional tanks of special tallow traded at 7½c, Chicago, later, with asking price upped to 7½c. A few tanks of No. 3 tallow sold at 7½c, c.a.f. New Orleans. A couple of tanks of yellow grease sold at 7c, c.a.f. Chicago. On Friday (Lincoln's Birthday) both buying and selling interests were on the quiet side.

On Monday of the new week, the market was extremely quiet.

As the week progressed, the tallow market carried a soft undertone, with some resale material available at steady levels; some buyers indicating ¼c lower than last sales. Most buyers were on the sidelines. Inquiry was around, however, on yellow grease, with 7c, Chicago bid. B-white grease also bid at steady price of 7½c, Chicago. All hog choice white grease was available at 10½c, c.a.f. East, with buyers indicating 10½c, same destination.

Reported but unconfirmed was the movement of bleachable fancy tallow at 7½c, c.a.f. Chicago, and presumably resale product. Bleachable fancy

## BY-PRODUCTS MARKETS

### Blood

Wednesday, February 17, 1954

Unground, per unit of ammonia (bulk) ..... Unit Ammonia \$8.25

### Digester Feed Tankage Material

Wet rendered, unground, loose,  
Low test ..... \*7.50@7.75  
High test ..... \*7.75@8.00  
Liquid stick tank cars ..... 4.00@4.50

### Packinhouse Feeds

	Carlots, per ton
50% meat and bone scraps, bagged	\$82.50@85.00
50% meat and bone scraps, bulk	85.00@90.00
55% meat scraps, bulk	95.00@100.00
60% digester tankage, bulk	90.00@98.00
60% digester tankage, bagged	97.50@102.00
80% blood meal, bagged	140.00
70% standard steamed bone meal, bagged (spec. prep.)	70.00
60% steamed bone meal, bagged	60.00@72.00

### Fertilizer Materials

High grade tankage, ground, per unit ammonia ..... 5.75@6.00  
Hoof meal, per unit ammonia ..... 6.00@6.50

### Dry Rendered Tankage

Low test ..... Per unit Protein \*1.50@1.55  
High test ..... \*1.50@1.55

### Gelatine and Glue Stocks

Calf trimmings (limed) ..... Per cwt. 1.35@1.50  
Hide trimmings (green salted) ..... 5.00@6.00  
Cattle jaws, skulls and knuckles, per (ton) ..... 55.00@60.00  
Pig skin scraps and trimmings, per lb. .... 7 @ 7½

### Animal Hair

Winter coll dried, per ton ..... \*115.00@120.00  
Summer coll dried, per ton ..... 45.00@55.00  
Cattle switches, per piece ..... 5½  
Winter processed, gray, lb. .... 14 @ 15  
Summer processed, gray, lb. .... 6 @ 7

n—nominal. a—asked.  
\*Quoted delivered basis.

tallow offered out later at steady price of 8c, Chicago, and without action.

That some items in tallows were on the soft side was proved out on Wednesday, with the movement of bleachable fancy tallow at 7½c and 7½c, c.a.f. Chicago. A tank of edible tallow sold at the market. Choice white grease, all hog, was reported but unconfirmed as selling at 10½c, c.a.f. East quick shipment.

## VEGETABLE OILS

Wednesday, February 17, 1954

Sales of vegetable oils were scattered and limited Monday, with prices generally unchanged from the previous week's close.

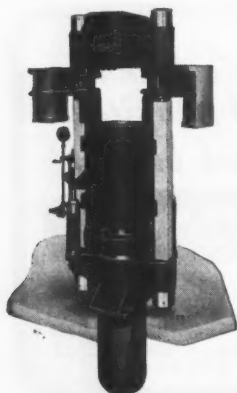
Trading of soybean oil was confined mostly to nearby positions. February shipment sold at 12½c and later was bid at that level with most mills asking 12½c. March shipment was bid at 12½c and reportedly traded at that level. April-May-June was bid at 12½c and offered at 12½c. April shipment alone was reported to have sold at 12½c.

Cottonseed oil sold in the Valley at 12½c and later was offered at that figure without action. The market in the Southwest was pegged nominally at 12½c. In Texas, 12½c and 12½c was paid, depending on location. No activity in the corn oil market was heard, with only a nominal quotation of 13½c reported. Peanut oil was also pegged nominally at 18c. Offerings of coconut oil were available at various levels, depending on shipment, but no sales developed.

Soybean oil sales were difficult to uncover Tuesday as both buyers and sellers failed to show much aggressiveness. The existent bids were ¼c under available offerings. Limited movement of February shipment was heard at 12½c. Unconfirmed trading of March

**TALLOWES:** Wednesday's quotations: edible tallow 9¼c, original fancy tallow 8c, bleachable fancy tallow 7¼@7½c, prime tallow 7½@7¾c, special tallow 7¼@7½c, No. 1 tallow 7c and No. 2 tallow 6¼@6½c.

**GREASES:** Wednesday's quotations: choice white grease (not all hog) 9½c, B-white grease 7½c, yellow grease 7c, house grease 6½@6¾c and brown grease 5¼@6c.



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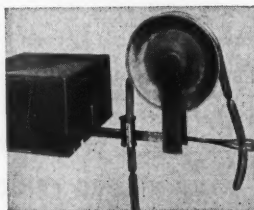
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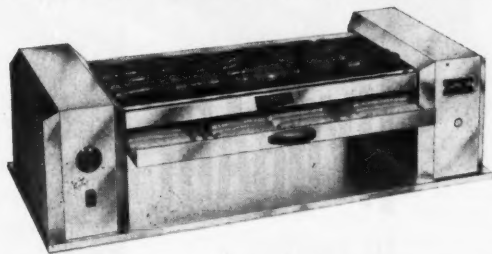


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shipment was reported at 12¼c. April shipment sold at 12c.

The cottonseed oil market also was dull with only a couple of tanks traded in the Valley at 12¼c. Offerings were available in the Southeast at 12¼c but did not attract buying interest. In Texas, offerings were priced at 12¼c and 12½c, depending on location. Corn oil declined to trade in a small way at 13¼c. Peanut oil was bid at 18c, but offerings were priced higher. A tank of coconut oil sold at 15c for February shipment.

There was little change in the price structure at midweek, but trade sources reported a better volume of soybean oil trading. February and March shipment, together and separately, sold early at 12¼c, and April-May-June cashed at 12¼c. Later, February shipment and early March shipment sold at 12¼c, following the rise in the board market. Refiners were the principal buyers during the day.

No price adjustments were encountered in the cottonseed oil market, but sales were thin. The market in the Valley was pegged at 12¼c, and at 12¼c in the Southeast, both nominal. In Texas, 12¼c was bid at common points and 12½c in the Midwest. Peanut oil was called 18c and coconut oil 15c, both on a nominal basis in absence of sales.

**CORN OIL:** Declined ¼c in light movement.

**SOYBEAN OIL:** Relatively un-

changed from previous week's trading levels.

**PEANUT OIL:** Mostly unsold, although the market held stronger at 18c.

**COCONUT OIL:** Sold Tuesday at 15c, ½c lower than last mid-week's levels.

**COTTONSEED OIL:** Market easier in scattered activity.

Cottonseed oil futures in New York were quoted as follows:

FRIDAY, FEB. 12, 1954

No Quotations

Lincoln's Birthday

MONDAY, FEB. 15, 1954

	Open	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Mar. ....	15.00b	15.00	15.00	15.00b	
May ....	14.90b	14.95	14.90	14.90b	No
July ....	14.84	14.84	14.82	14.82b	Trading
Sept. ....	14.00b			14.20b	Lin'n's
Oct. ....	13.90b			13.90b	B'thday
Dec. ....	13.80b			13.80b	Feb. 12
Jan. ....	13.60n			13.70n	

Sales: 30 lots.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16, 1954

Mar. ....	14.96b			15.02b	15.00b
May ....	14.87b	14.9	14.50	14.94	14.90b
July ....	14.75b	14.8d	14.80	14.82	14.82b
Sept. ....	14.15b			14.21b	14.20b
Oct. ....	13.90b			13.90b	13.90b
Dec. ....	13.80b			13.80b	13.80b
Jan. ....	13.70n			13.70n	13.70n

Sales: 25 lots.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 1954

Mar. ....	15.00b	15.05	15.01	15.02b	15.02b
May ....	14.92b	15.02	14.94	15.01-02	14.94
July ....	14.81b	14.95	14.85	14.93b	14.82
Sept. ....	14.20b	14.30	14.30	14.30	14.21b
Oct. ....	13.90b			13.98b	13.90b
Dec. ....	13.80b			13.85b	13.80b
Jan. ....	13.70n			13.75n	13.70n

Sales: 38 lots.

## VEGETABLE OILS

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1954

Crude cottonseed oil, carlots, f.o.b. mills	12¼n
Valley	12¼n
Southeast	12¼n
Texas	12¼ @ 12½b
Corn oil in tanks, f.o.b. mills	13¼pd
Peanut oil, f.o.b. Southern mills	18n
Soybean oil, Decatur	12¼pd
Coconut oil, f.o.b. Pacific Coast	15n
Cottonseed foots.	
Midwest and West Coast	1¼ @ 1½
East	1¼ @ 1½

## OLEOMARGARINE

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1954

White domestic vegetable	27
Yellow quarters	28
Milk churned pastry	28
Water churned pastry	28

## OLEO OILS

(F.O.B. Chicago)

Prime oleo stearine (slack barrels)	1b
Extra oleo oil (drums)	18

pd—paid, n—nominal, a—asked, b—bid.

## EASTERN BY-PRODUCTS MARKET

New York, Feb. 17, 1954

Dried blood was quoted Wednesday at \$8.25 per unit of ammonia. Low test wet rendered tankage was priced at \$7.50@8.00 f.o.b. per unit of ammonia and dry rendered tankage was listed at \$1.40 per protein unit.

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# HIDES AND SKINS

Hides trade steady Tuesday, but follow up activity lacking at midweek—Small packer hide market dull and easier—Country hides trade lower—Sales of kipskins early at lower levels—Activity in sheepskin market improves.

## CHICAGO

**PACKER HIDES:** Trade sources were of the opinion that the hide market this week would be a duplicate of last week, in respect to sellers reticence to divulge an accurate volume of hides traded. There was good buying interest Monday for most selections at a ½c down, with branded steers, branded cows and heavy native steers and cows particularly in demand. Whether the inquiry was of dealer or tanner variety could not be determined. Packers made no attempt to move hide stocks at lower bid levels, however.

Offerings came out early in the day Tuesday, at steady levels, but bids continued ½c less. An outside independent packer sold a car of light native steers at 14½c, but this was considered special and not a criterion of the market. Later in the day, an estimated 8,000 branded steers sold at 9c for butts and 8½c for Colorados. About 2,500 River and Chicago heavy native cows sold at 11c and 11½c, respectively. Approximately 2,000 Chicago light native cows traded at 14c. In addition, 1,200 Northern heavy native cows sold at 12c, and a car of Rivers brought 11c.

There was no follow up of Tuesday's activity at early midweek, and the market appeared in an unclarified position. The situation was one of confusion, with offerings reported available at steady levels and most buyers retracting bids. Limited inquiry was evidenced upon occasion at ½c lower. The only confirmed sale early was about 2,000 Northern branded cows at 10½c.

**SMALL PACKER AND COUNTRY HIDES:** Tanner bids for small packer

hides were limited, and only a few trades were encountered. Some 50@52 lb. average sold at 11c early, with scattered interest for this average later at 10½c. The 60@62 lb. average was bid at 9½c early at a nearby point, but no sales were heard at that level. Activity improved in the country hide market, but at lower levels. Several mixed cars locker butchers and renderers, 50-lb. average or less, sold at 8c and 8½c, depending on percentage of renderers involved.

**CALFSKINS AND KIPSKINS:** The calfskin market was believed steady, but no trading was accomplished up to midweek. There were sales of kipskins, however, early in the week, and about 10,000 River kip and overweights brought 25½c. There also were small plant Northern included in the total, but the general market for Northern kipskins was considered unsettled at the time of the sale and difficult to quote. At midweek, some trade sources reported the market for Northern kip and overweights comparable to that of Rivers, as the kill at northern production points has been too small to make a market.

**SHEEPSKINS:** Activity improved in this category to some extent this week, with prices steady to somewhat easier. A mixed car of No. 1 and No. 2 shearlings sold at 1.30 and 1.15, respectively. The No. 3 shearlings last sold at .80, with possible movement anticipated later this week. Fall clips sold lower at 1.90 and 2.00, depending on quality. There also was movement of dry pelts at 23c and 24c, with later offerings priced at 25c. A car of pickled skins sold at 10.00 for both sheep and lambs.

## LIVESTOCK CAR LOADINGS

A total of 7,032 cars were loaded with livestock during the week ended January 30, 1954, according to the American Association of Railroads. This was a decrease of 57 from the same week of 1953 and 1,994 less than the like period of 1952.

## CHICAGO HIDE QUOTATIONS

PACKER HIDES			
	Week ending Feb. 17, 1954	Previous Week	Cor. Week 1953
PACKER HIDES			
Nat. steers, .11	@14n	11 @14	13½@19
Hvy. Texas			
stns. ....	9n	9	12n
Butt branded			
stns. ....	9n	9	11½n
Col. stns. ....	8½n	8½	11
Ex. light Tex.			
stns. ....	13½n	13½n	20n
Brand'd cows, 10½	@11n	10½@11	13½
Hvy. nat. cows, 11	@12n	11 @12	15 @15½
Lt. nat. cows, 14	@14½n	14 @14½	19
Nat. bulls ..	10n	10n	11½
Calfskins, Nor.			
10/15 .....	40n	40n	52½@57½
10/down .....	42½n	42½n	50n
Kips, Nor.			
15/25 .....	25½n	28n	37½
Kins, Nor.			
Brand'd, 15/25 ..	22½n	25½n	32½
SMALL PACKER HIDES			
STEERS AND COWS:			
60 lbs. and over	9 @ 9½n	9 @ 9½n	14 @ 14½n
50 lbs.	11 @ 11½n	11 @ 11½n	15½@16n
SMALL PACKER SKINS			
Calfskins, under 15 lbs. ....	25n	25n	40n
Kips, 15/30 .....	15@17n	15@17n	30n
Stunks, reg. ....	1.25n	1.25n	1.50@1.65n
Stunks, hairless ..	50n	50n	50n
SHEEPSKINS			
Packer shearlings, No. 1	1.30n	1.40n	2.40
Dry Pelts 23@	24	24n	20n
Horsehides, Untrmd.	10.50@11.00n	10.00@10.50	8.75n

## N. Y. HIDE FUTURES

FRIDAY, FEB. 12, 1954				
No Trading				
LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY				
MONDAY, FEB. 15, 1954				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr. ....	14.36b	14.37	14.31	14.37
July ....	14.75-61	14.75	14.61	14.70b-75n
Oct. ....	15.01	15.02	14.99	15.00-02
Jan. ....	15.05b			15.12b-17a
Apr. ....	15.00b			15.12b-17a
July ....	15.00b			15.12b-19a
Sales: 28 lots.				
TUESDAY, FEB. 16, 1954				
Apr. ....	14.40	14.45	14.40	14.45b-47n
July ....	14.75	14.83	14.75	14.83
Oct. ....	15.04	15.04	15.04	15.15b-18n
Jan. ....	15.10b			15.30b-33a
Apr. ....	15.10b			15.27b-33a
July ....	15.10b			15.30b-35a
Sales: 20 lots.				
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 1954				
Apr. ....	14.40b	14.47	14.35	14.42
July ....	14.75b	14.82	14.80	14.80b-82n
Oct. ....	15.27	15.27	15.10	15.14b-16a
Jan. ....	15.28b	15.25	15.25	15.32b-35a
Apr. ....	15.25b	15.25	15.25	15.32b-35a
July ....	15.25b			15.32b-40a
Sales: 34 lots.				
THURSDAY, FEB. 18, 1954				
Apr. ....	14.35	14.35	14.20	14.23
July ....	14.71b	14.65	14.60	14.60b-67a
Oct. ....	15.05b	15.05	14.95	15.00b-02a
Jan. ....	15.20b	15.19	15.10	15.15b-20a
Apr. ....	15.25b	15.20	15.20	15.25b-32a
July ....	15.20b			15.25b-30a
Sales: 47 lots.				

## CHICAGO HIDE MOVEMENT

Receipts of hides at Chicago for the week ended Feb. 13, 1954, totaled 4,042,000 lbs.; previous week, 4,783,000 lbs.; same week 1953, 3,673,000 lbs.; 1954 to date, 29,416,000 lbs.; same period 1953, 28,396,000 lbs.

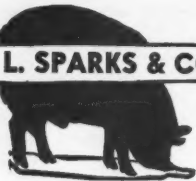
Shipments for the week ended Feb. 13, 1954, totaled 3,931,000 lbs.; previous week, 3,438,000 lbs.; corresponding week, 2,809,000 lbs.; this year to date, 26,173,000 lbs.; corresponding week, 1953, 21,149,000 lbs.

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# WEEK'S CLOSING MARKETS

## THURSDAY'S CLOSINGS PROVISIONS

The live hog top at Chicago was \$26.75; average, \$25.85. Provision prices were quoted as follows: Under 12 pork loins, 54; 10/14 green skinned hams, 55½-59; Boston butts, 46½; 16/down pork shoulders, 40½n; 3/down spare-ribs, 44; 8/12 fat backs, 13½-14; regular pork trimmings, 28n; 18/20 DS bellies, 33n; 4/6 green picnics, 36; 8/up green picnics, 34-35.

P.S. loose lard was quoted at 16.25b and P.S. lard in tierces at 17.00n.

## COTTONSEED OIL

Closing cottonseed oil futures at New York were quoted as follows: Mar., 14.99; May, 14.98b-15.00a; July, 14.94; Sept., 14.29b-35a; Oct., 13.90b-14.10a; Dec., 13.80b-95a; and Jan., 13.70n. Sales: 87 lots.

## CHICAGO PROV. STOCKS

Lard inventories in Chicago on February 14, amounted to 16,369,384 lbs., according to the Chicago Board of Trade. This was an increase compared with the 15,325,678 lbs. of product in store on January 1, but less than the 108,351,534 lbs. a year earlier. Total D.S. bellies amounted to 3,406,001 lbs. as against 3,330,353 lbs. on January 1 and 5,218,288 lbs. a year earlier. Chicago provision items appear below:

	Feb. 14, '54 lbs.	Jan. 1, '54 lbs.	Feb. 14, '53 lbs.
P.S. lard (a).....	12,468,458	11,584,326	77,325,376
P.S. lard (b).....			12,861,369
Dry rendered lard (a).....	1,013,817	1,053,033	8,176,951
Dry rendered lard (b).....	10,984	10,984	4,454,277
Other lard.....	2,876,125	2,677,335	6,033,561
TOTAL LARD.....	16,369,384	15,325,678	104,351,534
D.S. Cl. bellies (contr.).....	3,700	68,500	
D.S. Cl. bellies (other).....	3,402,301	3,261,853	5,218,288
TOTAL D.S. CL. BELLIES.....	3,406,001	3,330,353	5,218,288

(a) Made since Oct. 1, 1953. (b) Made previous to Oct. 53.

## PHILADELPHIA FRESH MEATS

Tuesday, February 16, 1954

### WESTERN DRESSED

BEEF (STEER):	Cwt.
Prime, 600/800.....	None quoted
Choice, 500/700.....	40.00@41.75
Choice, 700/900.....	38.50@41.00
Good, 500/700.....	35.75@37.00
Commercial, 350/700.....	None quoted

### COW:

Commercial, 350/700.....	26.00@28.00
Utility, all wts.....	24.00@26.50

### VEAL (SKIN OFF):

Choice, 50/80.....	39.00@43.00
Choice, 80/100.....	40.00@44.00
Choice, 110/150.....	39.00@43.00
Good, 50/80.....	35.00@37.00
Good, 80/110.....	37.00@39.00
Good, 110/150.....	36.00@38.00
Commercial, all wts.....	28.00@32.00
Utility, all wts.....	23.00@26.00

### LAMB:

Prime, 30/40.....	45.00@48.00
Prime, 40/50.....	45.00@48.00
Prime, 50/60.....	40.00@45.00
Choice, 30/40.....	44.00@47.00
Choice, 40/50.....	44.00@47.00
Choice, 50/60.....	39.00@44.00
Good, all wts.....	40.00@44.00
Utility, all wts.....	35.00@38.00

### MUTTON (EWE):

Choice, 70/down.....	21.00@24.00
Good, 70/down.....	19.00@21.00

### PORK CUTS—CHOICE LOINS:

(Boneless included) 8-10.....	54.00@56.00
(Boneless included) 10-12.....	54.00@56.00
(Boneless included) 12-16.....	53.00@54.00
Butts, Boston style, 4-8.....	49.00@51.00

SPARERIBS, 2 lbs. down..... 48.00@50.00

### LOCALLY DRESSED

STEER BEEF CUTS:	Prime	Choice
Hindqtrs., 600/800.....	\$54.00@57.00	\$46.00@50.00
Hindqtrs., 800/900.....	53.00@55.00	44.00@47.00
Round, no flank.....	49.00@52.00	48.00@50.00
Hip rd., with flank.....	47.00@50.00	46.00@48.00
Full loin, untrimd.....	52.00@58.00	42.00@46.00
Short loin, untrimd.....	None quoted	None quoted
Short loin trimd.....	None quoted	None quoted
Flank.....	None quoted	None quoted
Rib (7 bone).....	56.00@62.00	48.00@54.00
Arm Chuck.....	37.00@39.00	36.00@38.00
Brisket.....	30.00@32.00	30.00@32.00
Short plates.....	12.00@14.00	12.00@14.00

## JAN. CORN-HOG RATIO

Hog and corn prices at Chicago and corn-hog price ratio for January.

	Barrows & gilts per 100 lbs.	Corn No. 3, yellow per bu.	Hog-corn price ratio
January, 1954.....	\$25.15	\$154.9	16.2
December, 1953.....	24.17	156.2	15.5
January, 1953.....	18.31	160.5	11.4

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# LIVESTOCK MARKETS

## Weekly Review

### Cattle and Calf Slaughter Analyzed

The record number of cattle slaughtered under federal inspection during 1953 came to market at a slightly lower average live weight than in 1952—969.8 lbs. against 990.2 lbs.—and dressed out at an average of 533.1 lbs. compared

The average live weight was 226.7 lbs. and the dressed weight was 126.2 lbs. Calves cost packers an average of \$16.89 in 1953 against \$25.61 during 1952.

Veal production for 1953 amounted to 881,593,000 lbs. compared with 650,483,000 lbs. in the preceding year.

Significant figures with regard to 1953 slaughter of cattle and calves are shown in the accompanying table.

### Iowan's Meat-Type Hogs Pay Him Neat Dividend

The selection of meat-type hogs for his stellar production of last year paid dividends for Joe Watters of Clinton county, Ia., as he realized 10 cents over the regular market top of \$24.50 on the particular day when his consignment made the Chicago market.

The 54 hogs, which averaged 212 lbs., were a cross between a Hampshire boar and Spotted Poland China sows. Gilts for the production were carefully selected for their meat-type as well as the boar to which they were bred. Watter's father started the procedure several years ago and Joe promises more of the same to come from his feedlots in the future.

### December Kill By Regions

United States federally inspected slaughter by regions from data furnished by the Bureau of Animal Industry for December, 1953, with comparisons:

(Thousand head)

Region	Cattle	Calves	Hogs & Lambs	Sheep
N. Atl. States	140	107	482	256
S. Atl. States	40	28	214	100
N.C. States—East	340	206	1,324	102
N.C. States—N.W.	481	110	2,307	472
N.C. States—S.W.	195	51	485	106
S. Cent. States	208	104	318	55
Mountain States	91	9	92	70
Pacific States	209	43	217	168

Total ..... 1,723 657 5,439 1,290  
November, 1953 ..... 1,609 658 5,540 1,159  
December, 1952 ..... 1,252 523 7,251 1,218

Other animals slaughtered under Federal inspection, (number of head: Dec. 1953: horses 23,800, goats 405; Dec. 1952 horses 31,035, goats 143.)

Data furnished by Bureau of Animal Industry.

### Spring Barrow Show and Market Demonstration at NSY Mar. 12

Hog producers and feeders will be given a chance to see how buyers grade hogs and arrive at certain values on the stock they buy at the Spring Barrow Show and Market Grading Demonstration which is scheduled for March 12 at National Stock Yards, Ill.

Sponsored by the Universities of Missouri and Illinois, National Stock Yards Co., and packers, the show will indicate to viewers why some hogs bring a premium price on the market while others bring only an average price, etc. Today's desirable meat-type hog will hold a prominent place in the show.

### KINDS OF LIVESTOCK KILLED

The classification of livestock slaughtered under federal inspection during December, 1953, compared with November, 1953, and December, 1952 is shown below:

	Dec. 1953 Per- cent	Nov. 1953 Per- cent	Dec. 1952 Per- cent
Cattle:			
Steers	47.1	43.1	50.7
Heifers	12.6	11.4	11.4
Cows	37.8	42.9	34.9
Cows & heifers	50.4	54.3	46.3
Bulls & stags	2.5	2.6	3.0
Total <sup>1</sup>	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & cutters <sup>2</sup>	22.6	27.2	21.1
Hogs:			
Sows	5.3	5.1	5.9
Barrows & gilts	94.3	94.7	93.8
Stags & boars	.4	.2	.8
Total <sup>1</sup>	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep and lambs:			
Lambs & yearlings	95.0	91.8	90.9
Sheep	5.0	8.2	9.1
Total <sup>1</sup>	100.0	100.0	100.0

<sup>1</sup>Based on reports from packers.

<sup>2</sup>Totals and percentages of accumulation based on rounded numbers.

<sup>3</sup>Included in cattle classification.

### BUFFALO LIVESTOCK

Receipts at Buffalo, N. Y., in January, 1954, as reported by the USDA:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Receipts	30,191	6,481	4,973	67,753
Shipments	20,490	2,898	1,922	61,592
Local slaughter	9,701	3,583	3,051	6,161

with 546 lbs. in the preceding year. Beef production under inspection in 1953 totaled 9,367,672,000 lbs. against 7,157,322,000 lbs. in 1952.

The increased supply of cattle was reflected in a sharply lower average cost to packers for the year; the average cost for all cattle for 1953 was \$17.66 against \$25.71 in 1952. The average cost of cows dropped the most, falling to 63.4 per cent of the 1952 level compared with 70.9 per cent for steers and 71.8 per cent for heifers.

In spite of the large increase in cattle slaughter, condemnations for the year amounted to only 57,586 head compared with 56,818 head in 1952, indicating improvement in the overall condition of the cattle population.

Last year's calf slaughter—largest since 1947—was made up of animals weighing slightly more than in 1952.

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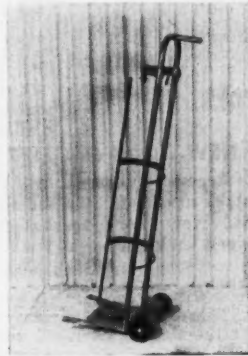
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## SLAUGHTER REPORTS

Special reports to THE NATIONAL PROVISIONER, showing the number of livestock slaughtered at 13 centers.

CATTLE			
Week	Prev.	Week	Cor.
Ended	Feb. 13	Week	1953
Chicago	23,303	21,142	20,763
Kansas City	18,174	16,807	17,333
Omaha	25,349	20,839	23,013
E. St. Louis	9,211	10,690	...
St. Joseph	8,985	10,534	9,212
St. Paul	10,798	9,873	9,081
Wichita	4,472	4,544	4,381
New York & Jersey City	10,759	9,858	8,622
Oklahoma City	5,689	7,097	5,058
Cincinnati	4,870	4,410	4,176
Denver	11,535	10,915	11,132
St. Paul	21,757	21,489	12,862
Milwaukee	4,384	4,525	4,067
Total	159,286	153,083	130,490

HOGS			
Chicago	29,490	31,733	36,189
Kansas City	7,922	8,562	10,858
Omaha	27,085	32,587	39,167
E. St. Louis	25,219	24,033	...
St. Joseph	19,885	21,301	30,703
St. Paul	19,682	25,090	27,450
Wichita	4,472	6,226	9,121
New York & Jersey City	37,024	39,310	45,940
Oklahoma City	11,459	12,362	12,141
Cincinnati	12,741	11,946	12,780
Denver	12,079	11,771	12,937
St. Paul	30,846	32,833	38,480
Milwaukee	4,265	4,032	5,797
Total	242,339	261,786	281,563

SHEEP			
Chicago	10,748	7,378	11,064
Kansas City	4,163	4,286	3,806
Omaha	16,293	14,803	14,552
E. St. Louis	3,361	3,316	...
St. Joseph	12,911	22,518	10,384
St. Paul	11,165	10,715	5,589
Wichita	1,170	731	1,648
New York & Jersey City	42,318	43,312	46,615
Oklahoma City	2,016	2,586	1,897
Cincinnati	319	548	463
Denver	10,256	14,271	11,330
St. Paul	5,814	5,497	7,847
Milwaukee	908	1,215	1,908
Total	120,543	131,456	116,303

\*Cattle and calves.  
\*Federally inspected slaughter, including direct.  
\*Stockyards sales for local slaughter.  
\*Stockyards receipts for local slaughter, including direct.

## BALTIMORE LIVESTOCK

Livestock prices at Baltimore, Md., on Wednesday, Feb. 17, were as follows:

CATTLE:			
Steers, com'l	...	\$16.00@17.00	
Steers, good & ch.	...	21.00@23.00	
Heifers, choice	...	22.50@23.00	
Heifers, util., com'l	...	17.00@19.25	
Cows, com'l & low gd.	...	13.00@15.00	
Cows, canner, util.	...	8.50@12.00	
Bulls, good	...	18.00@20.00	
Bulls, com'l	...	14.50@16.50	
VEALERS:			
Good & prime	...	28.00@31.00	
Culls	...	10.00@17.00	
Com'l & gd.	...	18.00@27.00	

HOGS:			
Choice, 180/240	...	27.25@27.75	
Sows, 450/ down	...	21.75@23.50	

LAMBS:			
Choice	...	None-rec.	

## NEW YORK RECEIPTS

Receipts of salable livestock at Jersey City and 41st st., New York market for week ended February 13:

Cattle Calves Hogs* Sheep			
Total (incl. directs)	4,779	2,774	18,214
Prev. week:			
Salable	303	317	...
Total (incl. directs)	6,437	2,863	21,323

\*Including hogs at 31st st.

## CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

Supplies of livestock at the Chicago Union Stockyards for current and comparative periods:

RECEIPTS				
Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	
Feb. 11	2,990	265	7,000	3,205
Feb. 12	890	184	8,230	585
Feb. 13	171	46	8,625	24
Feb. 15	21,122	615	8,536	3,595
Feb. 16	5,500	400	8,500	2,500
Feb. 17	10,000	300	8,500	3,000
*Week so far	36,622	1,300	27,536	9,005
Week ago	36,964	915	28,065	11,314
Year ago	36,518	1,067	36,200	14,359
2 yrs. ago	30,198	775	42,132	16,728
*Including 4,700 hogs direct to packers.				

SHIPMENTS				
Feb. 11	2,638	130	1,177	1,592
Feb. 12	2,007	7	1,065	921
Feb. 13	72	...	126	1,041
Feb. 15	5,668	...	967	537
Feb. 16	2,000	...	967	537
Feb. 17	3,000	...	500	1,000
Week so far	10,688	...	2,467	2,037
Week ago	13,615	...	111	2,504
Year ago	13,074	...	19	1,069
2 yrs. ago	10,652	...	40	3,608

FEBRUARY RECEIPTS				
Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	
1954	115,927	110,347	...	...
1953	4,319	11,577	...	...
1952	127,450	161,376	...	...
1951	35,117	57,408	...	...

FEBRUARY SHIPMENTS				
Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	
1954	46,248	46,749	...	...
1953	11,802	20,948	...	...
1952	14,801	12,869	...	...

## CHICAGO HOG PURCHASES

Supplies of hogs purchased at Chicago, week ended Wed., Feb. 10.

Purchases			
Week	Week	Week	
ended	ended	ended	
Feb. 17,	Feb. 10,	Feb. 10,	
Packers' purch.	26,715	36,684	
Shippers' purch.	4,972	4,731	
Total	31,187	41,425	

## LIVESTOCK PRICES AT LOS ANGELES

Prices paid for livestock at Los Angeles on Wednesday, Feb. 17, were reported as shown in the table below:

CATTLE:	
Steers, com'l & good	\$18.00@21.50
Steers, good & choice	21.00@23.00
Steers, commercial	18.00
Commercial & good	17.50@20.50
Heifers, choice & gd.	19.00@21.50
Heifers, com'l	17.50
Cows, util. & com'l	12.00@15.00
Cows, can. & util.	8.00@11.50
Cows, can. & cut	8.00@11.00
Bulls, util. & com'l	15.00@18.00

CALVES:	
Vealers, good & ch.	23.00@22.00
Com'l to choice	17.00@21.00
Culls & utility	12.00@16.00

HOGS:	
Choice, 210/230	26.25@27.50
Sows, 425/dn., choice	21.00@21.50

SHEEP:	
Lambs, good	None rec.

## CANADIAN KILL

Inspected slaughter in Canada for week ended Feb. 6.

CATTLE			
Period	Same Wk.	Period	Same Wk.
Feb. 6	Last Yr.	Feb. 6	Last Yr.
Western Canada	14,988	13,474	
Eastern Canada	14,521	13,028	
Total	29,509	26,502	

HOGS			
Western Canada	52,995	50,083	
Eastern Canada	42,278	43,634	
Total	95,273	93,717	
All hog carcasses graded	102,681	101,400	

SHEEP			
Western Canada	4,446	2,911	
Eastern Canada	3,571	3,383	
Total	8,017	6,294	

## PACKERS' PURCHASES

Purchases of livestock by packers at principal centers for the week ending Saturday, February 13, 1954, as reported to The National Provisioner:

**CHICAGO**

Armour, 9,559 hogs; Wilson, 4,212 hogs; Agar, 4,313 hogs; Shippers, 4,872 hogs; and Others, 11,406 hogs.

Total: 23,303 cattle; 1,337 calves; 34,362 hogs; 10,748 sheep.

KANSAS CITY				
Armour	3,448	890	1,253	2,288
Swift	3,706	856	1,965	1,875
Wilson	1,265	9	3,062	...
Butchers	6,980	...	656	...
Others	1,020	...	1,046	...
Totals	16,419	1,755	7,922	14,163

OMAHA				
Armour	5,965	5,740	4,304	
Cudahy	4,735	5,838	2,961	
Swift	5,475	5,590	3,901	
Wilson	2,887	4,281	2,793	
Cornhusker	752	...	...	
O'Neill	377	...	...	
Neb. Beef	499	...	...	
Engle	95	...	...	
Gr. Omaha	608	...	...	
Hoffman	57	...	...	
Rothschild	314	...	...	
Roche	440	...	...	
Kingman	1,478	...	...	
Merchants	80	...	...	
Midwest	115	...	...	
Omaha	441	...	...	
Union	765	...	...	
Others	...	8,160	...	
Totals	26,075	29,618	13,958	

E. ST. LOUIS				
Armour	2,654	478	8,940	1,973
Swift	4,069	1,131	9,093	1,388
Hunter	879	...	2,821	...
Heil	...	...	2,012	...
Krey	...	...	1,384	...
Others	...	...	960	...
Luer	...	...	...	...
Totals	7,092	1,609	25,219	3,361

ST. JOSEPH				
Swift	3,051	332	7,962	4,073
Armour	2,167	322	5,491	2,059
Others	4,968	208	1,182	...
Totals	10,186	862	14,635	6,112

\*Do not include 183 cattle, 6,432 hogs, and 5,899 sheep direct to packers.

SIOUX CITY				
Armour	3,867	2	6,944	2,827
Cudahy	3,369	...	6,702	3,540
Swift	3,180	...	5,390	2,519
Butchers	377	9	...	...
Others	9,760	9	9,795	2,271
Totals	20,553	21	23,881	11,157

WICHITA				
Cudahy	1,268	376	1,790	1,170
Kansas	376	...	...	...
Dunn	122	...	...	...
Dold	173	...	367	...
Sunflower	...	...	2	...
Pioneer	532	...	...	...
Excel	532	...	...	...
Others	1,515	...	244	846
Totals	4,734	376	2,403	2,016

OKLAHOMA CITY				
Armour	2,123	95	640	672
Wilson	1,895	262	576	1,338
Butchers	155	...	783	...
Totals	5,573	357	1,989	2,010

\*Do not include 1,137 cattle, 22 calves, 9,630 hogs, and 6 sheep direct to packers.

LOS ANGELES				
Armour	209	...	...	...
Cudahy	...	...	...	...
Swift	44	...	...	...
Wilson	174	...	...	...
Atlas	653	...	...	...
Acme	422	...	...	...
Ideal	544	...	...	...
Commercial	852	...	...	...
United	572	37	328	...
Machin	567	13	...	...
G. Western	544	...	624	...
Clougherty	22	...	570	...
Luer	66	...	...	...
Others	2,352	517	361	...
Totals	7,021	567	1,883	...

## ST. PAUL

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Armour ..	4,557	3,516	12,991	2,813
Bartusch ..	1,090	...	...	...
Cudahy ...	1,124	111	...	1,275
Rifkin ...	898	42	...	...
Superior ..	1,345	...	...	...
Swift ...	5,762	3,312	17,835	1,726
Others ...	1,384	3,111	6,898	3,576
Totals ..	16,160	10,092	37,744	9,300

## LIVESTOCK PRICES AT LEADING MARKETS

Livestock prices at five western markets on Monday, February 15, were reported by the Production and Marketing Administration as follows:

	St. L. N.S. Yds.	Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha	St. Paul*
<b>HOGS (Includes Bulk of Sales):</b>					
<b>BARROWS &amp; GILTS:</b>					
120-140 lbs. . . .	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.
140-160 lbs. . . .	\$25.00-25.75	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.	\$26.00-27.00
160-180 lbs. . . .	25.75-26.65	\$25.00-26.65	None rec.	\$23.50-26.50	26.00-27.00
180-200 lbs. . . .	26.50-26.75	26.25-26.65	26.50-only	26.50-26.75	26.00-27.75
200-220 lbs. . . .	26.50-26.75	26.25-26.65	26.50-only	26.50-26.75	26.00-27.75
220-240 lbs. . . .	26.00-26.75	26.00-26.50	26.50-only	26.50-26.75	26.00-27.75
240-270 lbs. . . .	25.00-26.25	25.50-26.25	26.00-26.50	25.25-26.50	24.50-26.50
270-300 lbs. . . .	24.00-25.25	25.00-25.75	None rec.	24.50-25.50	24.50-26.50
300-330 lbs. . . .	23.75-24.25	24.50-25.00	None rec.	23.75-24.75	24.50-25.75
330-360 lbs. . . .	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.	23.75-24.75	None rec.
<b>Medium:</b>					
160-220 lbs. . . .	None rec.	None rec.	None rec.	22.00-26.25	None rec.
<b>SOVS:</b>					
<b>Choice:</b>					
270-300 lbs. . . .	23.75-24.00	23.50-23.75	23.25-23.50	22.50-24.00	23.25-23.50
300-330 lbs. . . .	23.75-24.00	23.50-23.75	23.25-23.50	22.50-24.00	23.00-23.25
330-360 lbs. . . .	23.50-24.00	23.25-23.75	23.00-23.25	22.50-24.00	22.50-23.25
360-400 lbs. . . .	23.00-23.50	22.75-23.50	22.75-23.00	22.50-24.00	22.00-22.50
400-450 lbs. . . .	22.75-23.25	22.25-23.00	22.50-23.00	21.00-22.75	21.75-22.00
450-500 lbs. . . .	22.00-23.00	21.75-22.50	22.00-22.50	21.00-22.50	21.00-21.75
<b>Medium:</b>					
250-500 lbs. . . .	None-rec.	None rec.	None rec.	20.25-23.22	None rec.

## SLAUGHTER CATTLE & CALVES:

<b>STEERS:</b>					
<b>Prime:</b>					
700-900 lbs. . . .	24.50-27.00	24.50-27.50	23.75-26.50	25.00-27.50	25.00-27.00
900-1100 lbs. . . .	25.00-27.50	25.75-30.00	24.50-27.00	25.75-28.50	25.50-27.50
1100-1300 lbs. . . .	25.50-28.00	26.25-30.00	24.50-27.00	26.00-28.50	25.00-27.50
1300-1500 lbs. . . .	25.50-27.50	26.25-30.00	24.00-27.00	24.75-28.00	24.50-27.50
<b>Choice:</b>					
700-900 lbs. . . .	21.50-25.00	21.50-25.75	21.25-23.75	21.50-25.00	22.00-25.50
900-1100 lbs. . . .	22.00-25.50	22.50-26.25	21.25-24.00	21.50-25.00	22.50-25.50
1100-1300 lbs. . . .	22.00-25.50	22.50-26.25	21.25-24.00	20.50-25.00	22.50-25.50
1300-1500 lbs. . . .	21.50-25.00	22.50-26.25	20.75-24.00	20.25-24.75	22.00-25.00
<b>Good:</b>					
700-900 lbs. . . .	18.50-22.00	19.00-22.50	18.25-21.25	18.25-21.50	18.50-22.50
900-1100 lbs. . . .	19.00-22.00	19.00-22.50	18.50-21.25	18.25-21.50	18.50-22.50
1100-1300 lbs. . . .	19.00-22.00	19.50-22.50	18.50-21.25	18.00-21.25	18.50-22.50
<b>Commercial:</b>					
all wts. . . . .	17.00-19.00	16.50-19.50	15.50-18.50	15.75-18.25	15.00-18.50
Utility, all wts. . .	15.00-17.00	13.50-16.50	13.00-15.50	14.00-15.75	12.50-15.00
<b>HEIFERS:</b>					
<b>Prime:</b>					
600-800 lbs. . . .	24.00-26.00	23.50-25.25	22.50-24.50	22.75-25.00	22.50-23.50
800-1000 lbs. . . .	24.50-26.00	24.00-26.00	23.00-25.00	22.75-25.00	22.50-24.50
<b>Choice:</b>					
600-800 lbs. . . .	20.50-24.50	20.00-24.00	19.00-22.25	19.00-22.75	20.00-22.50
800-1000 lbs. . . .	21.00-24.50	21.00-24.00	19.50-22.50	19.00-22.75	20.00-22.50
<b>Good:</b>					
500-700 lbs. . . .	18.00-21.00	17.50-21.00	16.50-19.50	16.00-19.00	17.50-20.00
700-900 lbs. . . .	18.50-21.00	18.00-21.00	16.50-19.50	16.00-19.00	17.50-20.00
<b>Commercial:</b>					
all wts. . . . .	15.50-18.50	14.50-18.00	14.00-16.50	14.00-16.00	14.50-17.50
Utility, all wts. . .	13.00-15.50	12.50-14.50	12.00-14.00	12.00-14.00	12.00-14.50
<b>COWS:</b>					
<b>Commercial:</b>					
all wts. . . . .	12.00-13.00	12.25-13.50	11.75-13.00	12.00-12.50	12.00-13.00
Utility, all wts. . .	11.00-12.00	11.00-12.25	10.75-11.75	11.00-12.00	10.50-12.00
Canner & Cutter, . .					
all wts. . . . .	9.00-11.00	9.50-11.25	8.50-10.75	10.00-11.25	8.00-10.50

<b>BULLS (Yrds. Excl.) All Weights:</b>					
Good . . . . .	None rec.	11.00-13.00	None rec.	11.50-12.50	11.00-12.00
Commercial . . . .	13.00-14.00	14.50-15.50	12.50-13.50	14.00-14.50	11.00-12.00
Utility . . . . .	12.00-13.00	12.75-14.50	11.50-12.50	12.00-14.00	12.50-15.00
Cutter . . . . .	10.00-12.00	10.75-12.75	9.50-11.50	10.00-12.00	12.50-15.00

<b>VEALERS, All Weights:</b>					
Choice & prime . . .	22.00-29.00	27.00-29.00	24.00-26.00	22.00-25.00	22.00-26.00
Com'l & good . . . .	15.00-22.00	17.00-27.00	12.00-24.00	15.00-22.00	14.00-22.00

<b>CALVES (500 Lbs. Down):</b>					
Choice & prime . . .	18.00-22.00	19.00-25.00	16.00-18.00	19.00-23.00	18.00-23.00
Com'l & good . . . .	14.00-18.00	14.00-19.00	11.00-16.00	14.00-19.00	13.00-18.00

## SHEEP & LAMBS:

<b>LAMBS (110 Lbs. Down) (Wooled):</b>					
Choice & prime . . .	22.25-23.00	21.00-22.50	20.50-21.75	21.75-22.25	21.50-22.25
Good & choice . . .	21.00-22.25	19.50-21.25	19.50-20.50	20.25-21.50	19.50-21.50

<b>EWES:</b>					
Good & choice . . .	4.00-5.00	7.50-9.50	7.50-8.25	8.00-9.00	7.50-8.75
Cull & Utility . . .	3.00-4.00	6.00-7.50	7.00-7.50	5.50-8.00	5.00-7.25

\*Tuesday, Feb. 16, Prices.

## LIVESTOCK PRICES AT 11 CANADIAN MARKETS

Average price per cwt. paid for specific grades of steers, calves, hogs and lambs at 11 leading markets in Canada during the week ended February 6, compared with the same time 1953, was reported to THE NATIONAL PROVISIONER by the Canadian Department of Agriculture as follows:

STOCK YARDS	GOOD STEERS Up to 1000 lbs.		VEAL CALVES Good and Choice		HOGS* Grade B <sup>1</sup> Dressed		LAMBS Good Handyweights	
	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953
Toronto . . . . .	\$18.29	\$22.03	\$27.40	\$30.00	\$34.00	\$24.60	\$23.42	\$26.23
Montreal . . . . .	24.00	24.00	27.30	33.25	35.10	26.11	19.00	22.45
Winnipeg . . . . .	16.15	21.06	26.00	28.26	31.10	21.85	21.00	24.22
Calgary . . . . .	16.35	19.85	24.31	22.39	31.80	21.30	20.43	22.48
Edmonton . . . . .	15.75	20.35	22.50	27.50	32.85	21.35	21.00	21.60
Lethbridge . . . . .	16.50	19.60	18.25	22.00	31.60	21.10	20.50	22.50
Pr. Albert . . . . .	15.50	20.00	25.50	25.00	30.35	20.35	18.25	19.25
Moose Jaw . . . . .	15.70	20.50	17.00	22.25	30.60	20.60	18.75	19.00
Saskatoon . . . . .	15.25	20.30	24.50	29.00	30.35	20.60	18.75	20.50
Regina . . . . .	15.35	19.60	23.10	25.10	30.60	20.60	17.90	19.00
Vancouver . . . . .	21.00	21.00	22.00	25.15	33.62	23.25	21.50	21.50

\*Dominion Government premiums not included.

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## WEEKLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER

Slaughter at major centers during the week ending February 13, was reported by the U. S. Department of Agriculture as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep & Lambs
Boston, New York City Area <sup>1</sup>	11,958	9,780	39,317	47,215
Baltimore, Philadelphia	6,978	887	20,447	1,356
Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis	17,201	5,898	68,712	10,622
Chicago Area	24,736	5,848	58,636	7,181
St. Paul-Wis. Areas <sup>2</sup>	26,473	28,370	89,841	14,677
St. Louis Areas <sup>3</sup>	14,735	4,584	68,710	10,167
Sioux City	10,525	16	22,609	12,664
Omaha	28,809	854	41,941	21,196
Kansas City	11,998	2,962	28,266	9,804
Iowa-S. Minnesota <sup>4</sup>	27,878	8,964	215,859	37,878
Louisville, Evansville, Nashville, Memphis	8,551	7,486	35,473	Available
Georgia-Alabama Areas <sup>5</sup>	6,124	2,917	27,068	43
St. Joseph, Wichita, Oklahoma City	17,677	3,185	35,506	14,914
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio	13,191	5,745	13,966	12,763
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City	14,245	703	14,802	17,469
Los Angeles, San Francisco Areas <sup>6</sup>	25,371	2,191	27,626	30,966
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	4,817	396	7,516	5,978
Grand Total	274,251	90,716	809,755	254,893
Total Previous Week	268,119	100,530	839,264	282,645
Total Same Week, 1953	243,899	79,769	992,169	247,066

<sup>1</sup>Includes Brooklyn, Newark and Jersey City. <sup>2</sup>Includes St. Paul, So. St. Paul, Newport, Minn., and Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay, Wisc. <sup>3</sup>Includes St. Louis National Stockyards, E. St. Louis, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo. <sup>4</sup>Includes Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Mason City, Marshalltown, Ottumwa, Storm Lake, Waterloo, Iowa, and Albert Lea, Austin, Minn. <sup>5</sup>Includes Birmingham, Dothan, Montgomery, Ala., and Albany, Atlanta, Columbus, Moultrie, Thomasville, Tifton, Ga. <sup>6</sup>Includes Los Angeles, Vernon, San Francisco, San Jose, Vallejo, Calif.

## SOUTHEASTERN RECEIPTS

Receipts of livestock at six southern packing plant stockyards located at Albany, Moultrie, Thomasville, and Tifton, Georgia; Dothan, Alabama; and Jacksonville, Florida during the week ended February 12.

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs
Week ended Feb. 12	2,750	1,073	15,305
Week previous (five days)	2,622	974	13,258
Corresponding week last year	2,040	790	14,430

## MEAT SUPPLIES AT NEW YORK

(Receipts reported by the U.S.D.A. Production & Marketing Administration)

<b>STEERS AND HEIFERS: Carcasses</b>		<b>BEEF CURED:</b>	
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	10,053	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	18,240
Week previous	13,788	Week previous	11,006
Same week year ago	14,213	Same week year ago	12,272
<b>COW:</b>		<b>PORK CURED AND SMOKED</b>	
Week ending, Feb. 13, 1954	1,399	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	396,530
Week previous	1,543	Week previous	308,150
Same week year ago	1,063	Same week year ago	779,275
<b>BULL:</b>		<b>LARD AND PORK FATS:</b>	
Week ending Feb. 6, 1954	493	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	19,600
Week previous	589	Week previous	14,372
Same week year ago	661	Same week year ago	47,128
<b>VEAL:</b>		<b>LOCAL SLAUGHTER</b>	
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	12,021	<b>CATTLE:</b>	
Week previous	11,558	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	10,759
Same week year ago	11,804	Week previous	9,853
<b>LAMB:</b>		Same week year ago	8,622
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	27,569	<b>CALVES:</b>	
Week previous	36,629	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	13,463
Same week year ago	36,328	Week previous	15,550
<b>MUTTON:</b>		Same week year ago	13,864
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	1,025	<b>HOGS:</b>	
Week previous	371	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	37,024
Same week year ago	1,158	Week previous	39,310
<b>HOG AND PIG:</b>		Same week year ago	45,955
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	3,765	<b>SHEEP:</b>	
Week previous	4,686	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	42,318
Same week year ago	7,965	Week previous	48,312
<b>PORK CUTS:</b>		Same week year ago	46,728
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	1,455,878	<b>COUNTRY DRESSED MEATS</b>	
Week previous	1,278,824	<b>VEAL:</b>	
Same week year ago	1,504,120	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	.....
<b>BEEF CUTS:</b>		Week previous	.....
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	137,468	Same week year ago	5,772
Week previous	84,292	<b>HOGS:</b>	
Same week year ago	77,707	Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	.....
<b>VEAL AND CALF CUTS:</b>		Week previous	.....
Week ending Feb. 13, 1954	8,463	Same week year ago	15
Week previous	8,610	<b>LAMB AND MUTTON:</b>	
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**MEAT SALESMAN:** Live wire man to handle chains, jobbers and assist manager in supervision of territory salesmen for medium sized packing company located in South Carolina. Write to Box W-65, THE NATIONAL PROVISIONER, 15 W. Huron St., Chicago 10, Ill.

**SALES REPRESENTATIVE:** Calling on meat packers and renderers to sell equipment. Territory—southwest. References required. W-68, THE NATIONAL PROVISIONER, 15 W. Huron St., Chicago 10, Ill.

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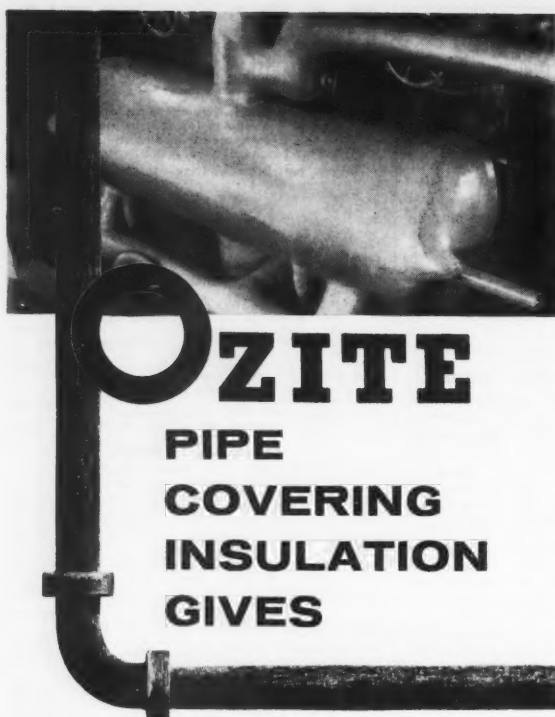
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